

TRIGG DEMANDS UNITY IN COMMERCE CHAMBER

Can Never Succeed as One-Man Organization, He Tells Business Men SPEAKS AT LUNCHEON Pleads for Solidarity and Efficiency Before Walnut Street Merchants

The Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce will never be a success as a one-man organization in the opinion of Ernest T. Trigg, the newly elected president of the organization, who, with the new officers of the chamber, was honored at a luncheon at the Walnut Street Business Association of the St. James Hotel.

Address which greeted the remarks of Mr. Trigg when he was introduced by E. J. Berlet showed that the prominent manufacturer and business men present were in accord with his views.

An atmosphere calculated to keep the spirit of civic pride thoroughly awakened was provided in the decorations which consisted of a tasteful arrangement of the city colors.

Directly back of the guests' table was a large banner bearing the words "Philadelphia Your City, My City, Our City." A miniature of this banner was given to each guest.

When Mr. Trigg was introduced he was given a hearty reception. After cautioning his hearers against any one-man organization, or that of any one group of men, Mr. Trigg said that all must take the full share of responsibility and be ready at all times to do their part in furthering the interests of the body.

He advised a practical policy in the selection of committees and suggested the selection of men who take their responsibilities seriously. Committee appointments, he said, should not be considered merely as appointments.

When a speaker touched upon the city's future and prospects, and in this connection said:

"We are just on the brink of the greatest commercial era this city has ever known. The many municipal activities already determined upon or under consideration are not only important to us, but are most important to and will affect future generations. The Chamber of Commerce must give serious consideration to all these matters, and action should be taken only after having a full knowledge of all the facts and through deliberation. There should be no unnecessary haste in any of these matters, consistent with sound business judgment."

"As a specific example of what I mean, let me refer to the matter of the Delaware River bridge, negotiation of which has been pending during the last few weeks." Mr. Trigg continued. "The Chamber of Commerce some time ago asked Councils to appropriate \$15,000 for the purpose of engaging experts to study the engineering and financial problems involved. Further than that, the beginning of the incline on the Philadelphia side is most important to us. If, as has been suggested, the incline starts at Fifth street, then the commission merchants located near the river front at the present time would be vitally interested, because of the question of getting many of their supplies."

"We feel that the proposition is one which should be brought into thoroughly, but that no precipitate action should be taken. We should have all the facts before the Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce takes a stand for or against it."

Mr. Trigg recommended the policy of personal representation in matters of State and municipal legislation. He urged executive organization, so that the various bureaus would work harmoniously to the end that the Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce may represent a great big, powerful, personal machine working smoothly and without friction for the best interests of Philadelphia, "the world's greatest workshop."

Among those present were Alva B. Johnson, Charles Vaughan, A. C. McGowan, Powell Evans, vice president; N. B. Kelly, general secretary; R. L. Austin, treasurer of the Chamber of Commerce; E. J. Berlet, president Walnut Street Business Association; Guy Gaudiker, president Chestnut Street Business Association; Hartley J. Doyle, vice president World's Salesmanship Congress; William Eldridge, president Market Street Merchants' Association; W. H. Metcalf, president City Business Club; Elmer Stewart, president Poor Richard Club; E. Armstrong, president Boosters Club; Dr. Augustus König, president Rotary Club; Lee J. Eastman, president Philadelphia Motor Truck Association; Albert W. Lutz, president of the Electrical League, and officers of various other business organizations.

NEW YORK FEARS FOR SAFETY OF ITS BRIDGES



Copyright, American Press Association. No vehicle is permitted to cross any of New York's numerous viaducts without first going through a rigid cross-examination. The photograph shows members of the Second Naval Battalion stopping an automobile on the Brooklyn Bridge. The guards are inquiring the reasons for the presence of the vehicle before searching it for any bombs that may be hidden.

Offers Draft Bill to Recruit N. G. P.

Continued from Page One every hand, a wave of patriotism unrivaled since Spanish-American war days, is sweeping the city. The battleship North Dakota, with six months' supplies and ammunition on board, today was reported ordered into the Delaware River from its position in the back channel at the Philadelphia Navy Yard. This, with the opening of an employment office at League Island, was the chief development of the day.

The opening of the employment bureau was a step in increased preparations to enlarge the working force of machinists and carpenters, who are whipping the fighting potentiality of the warships into shape. By Saturday or Monday, it is expected by naval authorities, enough workmen will have been obtained to allow continuous work in three eight-hour shifts.

There was a rush for the jobs that are offered at the navy yard. By two and three workmen filed into the office at the gate and with very few exceptions were employed. The former rigid requirements were loosened by Naval Constructor Snow in view of the pressing need for skilled and unskilled labor. All men with applications who were eligible were sent for and were asked to bring friends who were eligible for work.

The torpedo-boat destroyer Ammen will go into drydock today for repairs that will keep the speeder's fighting outfit out of commission until February 17. The North Dakota, reported unable to maneuver back ward, is in excellent shape, it was stated authoritatively.

A visitor, believed to be from the German Embassy at Washington, arrived at the navy yard today from Broad Street Station, and after a parley with the marines on guard, was driven in his taxicab direct to the interned German raiders Prinz Eitel Friedrich and Kronprinz Wilhelm. Speaking with a German accent, he showed a pass that admitted him under guard by two marines. The visitor carried a brief case.

The State police, commanded by Major John C. Groome, of Philadelphia, are co-operating with the local police and private guards of big munition plants throughout Pennsylvania to protect these works. The four troops, each fifty-five strong in addition to officers, are scattered in the State, with headquarters at Wyoming, near Wilkes-Barre; Pottsville, Butler and Greensburg.

"The State police are prepared for every emergency," said Major Groome. "Our work now is a general surveillance of the men who are acquainted with our theory being that more can be accomplished by scattering the forces than by concentrating them in one or several places." It was reported in maritime circles today that the German crews of the Hamburg-American liners Prinz Oskar and Rhectia, moored at the Christian street wharf, had dismantled the engines so that it would require months to repair them. The report could not be verified, as no one was allowed on board the ships.

50 VESSELS SUNK BY U-BOATS SINCE FEBRUARY 1; TOTAL TONNAGE 98,413

SINCE Germany's announcement of her new blockade order, to take effect February 1, the following results in the war zone have been announced:

Table with columns: Reported Sunk Today, Ships, Tonnage. Includes Saxon Briton (374 tons), Vestra (5218 tons), Lorton (1419 tons).

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Summary of Ships Sunk table with columns: American, Other neutrals, British, Other belligerents. Shows 1 American, 20 Other neutrals, 25 British, 4 Other belligerents.

WOULD CHANGE MILLS INTO WAR WORKSHOPS

Reading Could Furnish Weapons, Ammunition, Food and Clothing

READING, Pa., Feb. 7.—If the United States declares war this city will become one of the chief workshops of the nation. Its industrial plants will furnish all kinds of war munitions, food supplies, weapons, ammunition and clothing. Big guns, shrapnel, rifle barrels, castings for gun carriages and warships, textile goods, underwear, hosiery and sweaters in enormous quantities can be supplied from this city and vicinity at short notice.

RURAL PROGRESS BODY TO STUDY LIVING COSTS

Pennsylvania Association Will Discuss Relations of Consumers and Producers of Food

Important problems in the relations between producers and consumers of food products are being studied today at the sixth annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Rural Progress Association. The afternoon sitting in Houston Hall was addressed by John J. Dillon, chief of the department of foods and markets of New York State, one of the foremost authorities on food problems in the United States.

FOUR BRITISH SHIPS SUNK; TWO MEN DIE

Captain and 14 Men of Crew Landed—U-Boats Show Increasing Activity

LONDON, Feb. 7. Two persons aboard the British steamship Saxon Briton were killed when that boat was sunk by a submarine today. The captain and fourteen members of his crew were safely landed. Twelve were survivors of the British steamship Azul, also reported sunk.

The British steamships Vestra and Crown Point were officially reported sunk today. The bark Lorton has been sunk by a submarine. The crew has reached shore safely.

The Saxon Briton was an iron-screw steamship of 1337 tons, built in 1883, registered at Grangemouth, England, and the property of the Kerse Steamship Company. The Azul was a steel-screw steamship of 3074 tons, built in 1898, registered at London, and the property of the Huelon Alros Great Southern Railway Company.

The Vestra was a steel-screw steamship of 1021 tons, registered at Grangemouth, and owned by J. T. Salveen & Co. The Crown Point was a steel-screw steamship of 5218 tons, registered at Liverpool, and owned by Norfolk and North American Steam Shipping Company.

The Lorton was an old steel vessel of 1419 gross tons, registered at Liverpool, and owned by Belfast. She was the property of P. G. Piaggio and was registered at Callao, Peru.

TOWNS MAY CONTEST STATE HEALTH ORDER

Contend That Installation of Sewage Disposal Plants Means Bankruptcy

HAZLETON, Pa., Feb. 7. — Hazleton, Freeland, McAdoo, Weatherly, Berwick and other towns throughout the northeastern section of Pennsylvania say they will be bankrupt if they are forced to comply with the orders of Dr. Samuel G. Dixon, head of the State Department of Health, regarding the installation of sewage disposal plants and the construction of supplementary sewage systems—one to care for regular house drainage and the other for carrying off water from storms and snows.

It is estimated that an outlay of from \$700,000 to \$800,000 will be required in Hazleton to meet the demands of Doctor Dixon and proportionate amounts in the smaller municipalities. Orders for surveys on the sewerage systems and disposal plants were received some years ago, and January 1 was set as the time for filing most of them at Harrisburg.

Hazleton has had men from its engineering department on these plans for the last four years and the work is not yet finished. Doctor Dixon has been informed that they won't be ready until July. There is a disposition among some of the third-class cities

Uniontown Rector Arrested

UNIONTOWN, Pa., Feb. 7.—The Rev. J. D. Kreshka, pastor of the Russian Orthodox Greek Catholic Church, was arrested on a charge of larceny by bailee. He was accused by one of the church trustees with keeping property of the church. A suit for \$20,000 damages for alleged slander also was instituted against the clergyman by George Berdar, a trustee, who alleged that Mr. Kreshka in his sermon accused him of misappropriating the church funds.

February Sale of Office Furniture. One of many specials in this sale is this desk-of selected quartered oak top and panels, 6 drawers, sanitary design, 60 by 34 inches. Many other desirable pieces of Office Furniture in this February sale at reduced prices—tables, desks, chairs, etc.

Velvet Joe advertisement featuring an illustration of a man in a hat and a pipe, sitting at a desk with a typewriter. Text: 'A number 8 hat may cover a mighty intellect or it may cover a plain case of big head.'

Wrist Watches advertisement. A wide assortment in various styles with ribbon or link bracelets. Worthy of mention is a solid 14-kt. gold octagonal watch, with reliable jeweled movement on a band of black moire ribbon—\$45. S. Knd & Sons, 1110 Chestnut St.

Oriental Rugs advertisement. Room Sizes: During the month of February we will continue our special offerings of Oriental Rugs. Small Rugs: A special assortment of small and medium sizes consisting of Kurdistans, Daghestans, Mossouls, etc., at about wholesale cost ranging in prices from \$28 to \$35. HARDWICK and MAGEE Co. 1220 Market Street

Velvet Joe tobacco advertisement. They're the same—yet different. They're both hats-on-heads. Don't judge by externals. Several kinds of tobacco come in tins. VELVET tobacco is put up in tins. But that doesn't make it like other kinds. The finest selected leaf from Kentucky's richest Burley fields is only the beginning of VELVET. Then a full two years' ageing in wooden hogsheads—a matter of large storage and investment expense. Then a careful manufacturing method employing the widest experience of life-long tobacco men. What goes into the tin governs the pipe satisfaction that comes out of it. And we believe you will prefer VELVET to any other pipe tobacco at any price. Laggett & Myers Tobacco Co. 10c Tins 5c Metal-lined Bags One Pound Glass Humidors

WOMEN HELD IN DOPE PLOT AT ATLANTIC CITY

Ring Leader Said to Have Planned Wholesale Robberies to Supply "Needy" Friends ATLANTIC CITY, Feb. 7.—Police officials in charge of the joint campaign of Federal authorities and the Atlantic County Medical Society to make Atlantic City a "dopeless town," today charged that Mrs. Addie Henderson, fifty-three years old, deliberately planned wholesale robberies of drug pharmacies to supply drugs to furnished users here when physicians, worried over threatened exposure, refused longer to supply demands at fancy prices.

James Malsed, captain of detectives, says he has evidence, forced from several of the eight drug fiends now in the city jail, that Mrs. Henderson engaged a flit to take the money from the pharmacy to the drugstore of George Campbell, which was rifled a week ago of dope valued at \$100. The prompt arrest of Robert Braithwaite, Walter Clark and Charles Scarducio for this theft had planned, it is said.

Clara Irwin, alias Ford, thirty-one years old; Mazie Steelman, twenty-seven; Eva Henderson, thirty-five, and her mother, were arrested in last night. Detectives say they have a confession from the Ford woman that she personally directed the robbery of the drugstore, and that all of their booty was taken to the Henderson home and distributed among "fiends" in a desperate way for drugs.

STORM-BATTERED CRAFT PUT IN AT NEW YORK

Many Steamships Forced Into Port by Turbulent Seas; Some Badly Damaged NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—Battered about by the storms which have swept the eastern Atlantic this week many vessels are today putting into New York harbor in a crippled condition.

The Prinz Frederick Hendrik and the Dalai Maru were forced to put back into port after clearing for foreign shores. The Hendrik had a damaged propeller and the Dalai Maru was listing with a shifted cargo.

GERMAN CLERKS LOSE

Granted "Leaves of Absence" by Trust Company

NEW YORK, Feb. 7. — The Guaranty Trust Company has given indefinite leave of absence with pay to fifteen Germans employed in its foreign department, pending the outcome of the break between the United States and Germany. All the men, with possibly one or two exceptions, have taken out first naturalization papers and expect to become American citizens at the end of their five-year probation period.

"For reasons of neutrality," was the explanation given by an official of the company. "We did not believe it good policy, in the event of trouble between the United States and Germany, to have in our offices persons known to be of German birth. By this is meant no reflection on the character of the men themselves."

HOLD WOMAN AS FORGER

Registers at Hotel and Is Accused of Passing Worthless Checks PITTSTON, Pa., Feb. 7.—Anna Hargan, aged twenty, is under arrest here charged with forging checks, which several merchants cashed. The check signatures were "Anna McDonald." The young woman was registered at one of the leading hotels and when her room was searched several checks were found made out to merchants in various parts of the Wyoming Valley.