

DANISH LUTHERANS TO BE TAKEN OVER

General Council Will Assume Charge of Church in Virgin Islands

ROUTINE SUCCEEDS VOTE

Momentous Action of Yesterday Followed by Reception of Various Reports

Missionary work, which for generations has been carried on by the Danish Lutheran Church in the Danish West Indies, will be taken over, now that the United States has purchased these islands from Denmark, by the general council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States. The decision was reached today at the sessions of the council, which is celebrating its fiftieth anniversary, in Wither-spoon Hall.

The delegates voted that in taking over the work in these islands, known to the Lutherans as the "Virgin Islands," a board of five ministers and four laymen be appointed by the Rev. Dr. T. E. Schmauk, president of the council, to take charge of it. The headquarters of the board will be in New York. It is expected that the workers sent to the islands will be drawn largely from the Augustana Synod, whose 200,000 communicants in this country are of Scandinavian descent. An immediate appropriation of \$1000 and an annual appropriation of \$10,000 was voted for the work.

Commissioners from the Virgin Islands addressed the convention before the resolutions were passed, among them being the Rev. Dr. Heide-Larsen, of New York, and the Rev. Reginald A. MacFarlane, a West Indian negro. Nine-tenths of the population of the Danish West Indies is negro.

Reports of the foreign mission board, the English home mission board, the Porto Rican, the Slav, the Swedish and the German mission boards will be presented in sequence. The report of the Lutheran Church Extension Society was included in the morning session, while this afternoon's session listened to the report of the committee on the budget.

The momentous action taken just at the close of yesterday's sessions, the decision to unite with the General Synod and the United Synod of the South, was marked by a unanimous vote. So weighty was the question that the delegates were led in prayer before the ballot was taken.

The balloting was preceded by a day of speeches from various leaders in the General Council's affairs, representing synods of all sections of the country, and without exception the resolutions were in favor of the consolidation, which will merge into one body all the 800,000 or 900,000 Lutherans in America. Thirteen of the fourteen synods of the General Council had already approved of the step, the only one yet to vote being the Augustana, or Swedish Synod, which numbers some 200,000 communicants. Although some of its representatives in the present conference said that a degree of hesitancy exists among some of its members as to the merger, fearing that the synod's individuality might be lost, it was the consensus of opinion that this synod would also ratify the step.

The convention also approved of the proposed constitution for the projected "United Lutheran Church in America," with amendments which were ratified yesterday.

CAPITAL OBSERVES ARBOR DAY WITH TREE PLANTING

Government Places First of Six in Honor of Early Governors of State

HARRISBURG, Oct. 25.—The State and city joined today in an elaborate celebration of Arbor Day with the planting of six trees in Capitol Park named for the six earliest Governors of Pennsylvania. Mayor Bowman presided and Governor Brumbaugh, Attorney General Brown, State Treasurer Kephart and Auditor General Snyder participated. The Rev. Doctor Bagnell made an address and the school children of the city sang.

The Governor planted the first tree near the Third and Walnut Streets corner. It was a white oak and was planted in honor of William Penn. The second, a red oak, was planted in honor of William Keith by a representative of the Lieutenant Governor. The third tree, dedicated to Patrick Gordon, by the Secretary of State, a honeylocust in perfect condition, is standing in the exact spot where a tree should be planted. The fourth, a black oak, in honor of James Logan, was planted by the Attorney General. The fifth, a chestnut oak, was planted by the Auditor General in honor of James Hamilton. The sixth, a rock-chestnut oak, in honor of John Penn, was planted by the State Treasurer. The seventh, in honor of Richard Penn, was planted by the Secretary of Internal Affairs.

Damrosch Will Play German Music NEW YORK, Oct. 26.—Boycotting German music won't help win the war, Walter Damrosch, director of the New York Symphony Orchestra, declared today. He is determined to give the German composers their usual place on his programs.

ACTIVE IN LUTHERAN WOMEN'S RALLY



PROTESTS AGAINST SENTENCE OF PICKETS

Equal Franchise Society Sends Plea to President Wilson in Behalf of Suffragists

The Equal Franchise Society, an independent suffrage society which neither advocates nor condemns picketing as a suffrage measure, at a special meeting adopted resolutions, which were sent to President Wilson. The resolutions, as drawn by J. Levering Jones, one of the society's directors, follow:

We respectfully protest against the sentence of six months imposed upon the suffrage pickets in Washington. The right of petition to their rulers by a free people is inalienable. It is basic in a constitutional government. The right of petition for amendment of unequal laws is an inherent privilege of every free citizen, for such laws might otherwise never be amended, and equality of privilege and protection fail to be secured.

Pickets are perpetually in protest in industrial conflicts, and actively present their claims by posters and transparencies before the public without arrest. Congress itself and the President acknowledged in Washington the significance and authority of the demonstration of a small section of labor in securing the passage of the Adamson law in 1916.

The logic of the right of women—participant in industry, in military affairs, in the potential life of our country—to vote, is unassailable. Their active protest—their active appeal—has not been excessive, endangered no one, was orderly, until they were assaulted. A few women should be forgiven a slight excess even of political zeal when their natural rights are trampled underfoot, while giving so much in service to their country.

We wait confidently for a liberated Europe. We wait confidently in this great political issue for a liberated America. The resolutions were signed by Sophia H. Dulles, president.

At the same meeting a letter was read from Mrs. Ogden Mills Reid, treasurer of the New York State Woman's Suffrage party, expressing deep appreciation felt by the New York organization for financial help sent by members of the Equal Franchise Society. The contributions were made in response to an appeal for aid for the New York campaign sent out by the president of the Philadelphia society a week ago.

Gets Big Paper Towel Contract CHAMBERSBURG, Pa., Oct. 25.—Dunbar Rosenthal, proprietor of the United States Paper Mill, at this place, announced the signing of a contract yesterday for paper towels for Bell Telephone and Western Union Telegraph Company which will take a whole year to make running twenty-four hours a day.

More Than 1,000,000 Dressings Needed Millions of dressings are needed badly in France, according to officials of the Red Cross who have issued an appeal for many handbags.

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SHIPBUILDING DELAYS MAY FORCE OUT CAPPS

Shortage of Vessels Likely to Bring Another Change in U. S. Board

WASHINGTON, Oct. 26. The American shipbuilding organization is likely soon to undergo a second reorganization. Rear Admiral Capps, head of the Emergency Fleet Corporation and successor to General Goethals, will step down or be forced out unless present indications fail.

Capps is in ill health, due to devotion to duty which kept him constantly at his desk eighteen or more hours a day. Besides this, there are manifestations that Chairman Hurley, of the United States Shipping Board, and Capps are not in full harmony because the shipbuilding program is still being delayed.

Capps is regarded by those who have followed the ship situation as a remarkable constructor, but as paying too much attention to details which subordinates ought to handle, or which, in the interest of speed, ought to be passed over quickly. As a result, ship construction lags.

Officials admit that there is such a shortage of vessels and such delay in construction as really to hamper war work and war prospects. There is no dispute over types of ships, as in the Denman-Goethals row, but there is far less construction than American and Allied needs require.

NORTHCAPPE FOR SHIPS Lord Northcliffe, British publicist, has repeatedly pointed to the need for ships, and Herbert Hoover's latest statement emphasizes this as one of the three most pressing essentials at present. Other officials are just as emphatic.

Capps' ill health probably will serve as the vehicle for his elimination sooner or later, while amendment of the shipping law also is quite probable, so that there will not be two boards as at present. One board constructs ships; the other operates them. But where the first hesitates, the other is powerless. And that appears to be the difficulty today. Chairman Hurley, of the operating branch, is credited with a gift for organization, and, while he might put the other boards on a speedy running basis, his legal power now does not extend that far.

He is in favor of conscription of labor as one means of speeding construction.

Three hundred thousand to 500,000 workers are needed, but until some strong arm takes action shipbuilding is destined to be slow for want of labor—and for other reasons.

Five French Girls Enter Bryn Mawr Five French young women have been admitted to Bryn Mawr College under scholarships originating in the plan to substitute France for Germany in a closer international relationship with this country. The five new students are the Misses Marie Schoell, Juliette Pade, Madeleine Marie Madalene Charlotte Fabin and Aline Chelais. Bryn Mawr also awarded scholarships to five young English women, but they were refused passports to America.



He was in a quandry. He wanted Style—but his feet insisted on Comfort. And neither would compromise. But the Rival "Bubblers" last settled the difficulty at once; a broad tread space for comfort and a smartly turned toe for style.

RIVAL Shoes for Men 3 1/2-6 From first to last and last to upper—Real Shoes 1925 MARKET STREET — 136 North 8th Street open until 10 p.m.

Advertisement for Victor Records featuring Harry Lauder. It includes the 'His Master's Voice' logo with a dog listening to a gramophone, a portrait of Harry Lauder, and text promoting his performance at the Academy of Music on Oct. 30 and Nov. 1, 2. The advertisement also mentions Victor Talking Machine Co., Camden, N.J., and the Victrola brand.

Advertisement for Joseph G. Darlington & Co. Cold Weather Needfuls For Little Folks. The ad lists various clothing items for children, including coats, hats, and dresses, with prices ranging from \$4.50 to \$35.00. It also mentions 'Practical School Dresses' for \$2.25.

Advertisement for London Boot Shop. It features a logo with the word 'London' in a stylized font and lists various shoe styles and prices. The address is 1223 Chestnut St.

Advertisement for Money to Loan. It lists 'FRIDENBERG' and provides contact information for loans and goods. The address is 37 N. 11th St. (Bet. Filbert & Arch) and Cor. 9th & Buttonwood Sts.