

HOLDERS AND SEEKERS VIE FOR FAVORS

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order on a local furniture store for a highchair.

None of the three men named for executive secretary of the city park department was on duty this morning and the mayor thought for a time that they were going to refuse the appointments. Mrs. Shank investigated over the telephone for Mr. Shank and discovered that Mr. H. Camden is ill and that Louis W. Carnex and Charles L. Hutchison had been officially notified of their appointments. Mr. Carnex and Mr. Hutchison promised to come to the city hall this morning and were on the job this afternoon.

Members of the board of public safety met informally this afternoon to check over appointments in the police and fire departments and superintend the issuance of badges.

PARK DEPARTMENT REVISION EXPECTED.

The mayor is having prepared a list of all positions, their occupants and salaries in the park department. Considerable revision of this list is expected to take place at a meeting of the new park board Thursday morning.

New department heads dared not put their heads into the halls. To do so was to be surrounded by dozens of job-hungry men and some women. All travel from department to department, in consequence, was through the secret stairways and passages.

Fred S. Knudie, secretary to Mr. Shank, and Mrs. Elsie Beckman, the mayor's stenographer, were kept busy throughout the day trying to appease the throng in the mayor's reception room.

Some eager applicants sent notes in to Mr. Shank through the lucky ones who were admitted to the private office.

Upon Mayor Shank's instructions the board of safety rescinded the regulation of the former board providing for the issuance by the chief of police of "no parking" signs for downtown merchants to place in front of their stores.

The board then sent policemen out to direct all of the signs so that now the places parking is prohibited downtown are the safety zones and near fire plugs.

HOPES IT WILL LEAD TO REAL TRAFFIC LAW.

"That regulation wasn't the law, anyway," said Mayor Shank. "Now that we've taken the signs away, maybe the merchants will come to me and ask for a real parking law, a modern traffic ordinance something like a city of Indianapolis should have."

The mayor spent his first morning in his office receiving callers and straightening out such details of reorganization of departments as require his attention. He said he was not going to worry about how to get rid of some of the policemen who have refused so far to heed his request to resign.

"Don't worry about them," he said. "I'm leaving that to Chief Rikhoft. If he doesn't get rid of them I'll give you a new list."

Mayor Shank said he did not intend to do anything about the appointment of the fourth member of the board of public health right away. A few hours before the inauguration a controversy between Dr. E. E. Hodgins, chairman of the new board, and Mr. Shank developed over the appointment of the fourth member. It was rumored at first that the squabble was over the appointment of Dr. Richard A. Poole as superintendent of the city hospital and that Dr. Hodgins and Dr. Karl A. Ruddell, originally named for the board membership, were the contenders.

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solved when George Griffin was appointed plumbing inspector. Joseph Swain is to be retained as plumbing inspector also. Griffin was to have displaced Swain, but there was considerable criticism of the move.

DR. HODGINS HEADS BOARD.

Dr. Hodgins was formally elected president, and Dr. Goethe Link, vice president, Dr. Morgan was re-elected secretary and Newton J. McGuire attorney of the board.

Dr. Richard A. Poole was elected assistant superintendent of the city hospital and Dr. R. R. Coble, superintendent of the city dispensary. Drs. Ernest Confield and Glenn Pell were added to the dental staff of the hospital.

The board considered raising the middle of the three old buildings at the hospital and the construction of a fireproof unit in its place and decided to engage an architect to investigate the situation.

The park board retained all of the present office staff of the department.

After he had received the keys to the city hall from Mayor Charles W. Jewett and the oath of office from Judge W. W. Thornton, yesterday in the mayor's private office, Mr. Shank and Mr. Jewett went to the second floor balcony and addressed the crowd which filled every inch of standing space in the corridors of the four floors. The Rev. W. O. Trueblood prayed for divine guidance of the new administration and Mr. Jewett spoke of the trials which face every mayor. He urged generosity from the public in its attitude toward Mr. Shank.

SHANK ASKS COOPERATION.

Mr. Shank asked for the help of all citizens and issued a warning that violation of the liquor and gambling laws would not be tolerated. He said he and Chief of Police Herman F. Rikhoft were not going to be put in a position where they would have to say "Good morning, Judge Anderson." Politicians were warned not to come to the mayor seeking clemency for bootleggers and gamblers.

"The screws are on the bootleggers," said Mr. Shank.

SIBERIA GRIPS ATTENTION IN ARMS SESSION

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delegation here are content to rest on their laurels for the time being. They reiterated that they have other documents bearing on Franco-Japanese intrigue in the Far East and that these may be made public at the proper moment.

None of the powers of the Washington conference are "officially" taking any cognizance of the Chita disclosures, but "unofficially" the revelations are being discussed almost to the exclusion of submarines and the date of the conference adjournment, two highly regarded topics of conversation for the past ten days.

The conference itself moved steadily toward adjournment yesterday. Indications were when the experts resumed the gathering up of loose ends of the navy program that the five-powered naval treaty will be ready for submission to a plenary session of the conference by the last of this week.

The one deterrent factor is the Root resolution, proposing restrictions that virtually kill the submarine as a legal weapon of warfare. So far only the American and British governments have approved it entirely, the Japanese, French and Italian delegates referring it to their home governments for instruction.

Strong doubt was expressed whether the Root resolution would be adopted as it lies. Indications were that the French and Japanese at least will decline to approve it, although they have not received final instructions from their respective governments. The sentiment among the delegates here, however, is against it. The opinion was expressed in responsible quarters that the naval treaty ultimately will go no further than pledging the powers to observe existing international law in the "visit and search" of merchant vessels by submarines in war times.

Methods of scrapping existing tonnage, methods of replacement and the date on which replacement construction can begin, are other minor points that remain to be adjusted. It is possible, too, that consideration of Chinese problems will be resumed this week. Negotiations are under way for a reopening of the Chino-Japanese conversations over the return of Shantung, which were discontinued when a deadlock was reached over the matter of railroad control.

Gasoline in Lamp Costs Seven Lives

AMOS, Quebec, Jan. 3.—Seven persons, Joseph Perron Sr., his sister-in-law, Mrs. Edmond Perron, and her five children, perished when the Perron home, about eighteen miles from here, burned today. Fire followed explosion of a lamp, filled with gasoline by mistake. Edmond Perron and two other children escaped by jumping into a snow bank.

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States May Again Rule Rail Rates

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 3.—Restoration to the States of their power over intra-State railroad rates and fares and final confirmation in the States of such powers is provided in a bill to be reported favorably within a few days by the House Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee. It was learned today.

The bill has been under consideration by the committee for several weeks and only a few touches are necessary to put the legislation in shape.

JAY A. CRAVEN HEADS BOARD OF SANITATION

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been left until the board was reorganized.

Mr. Swift explained that he and Mr. Lingenfelter had taken this action because it had been rumored to him that Mr. Craven was controlled by Mayor Samuel Lewis Shank and that Mr. Craven and Mr. Elliott intended to displace the services of many employees and get cheaper men.

Mr. Swift has been a most bitter and vituperative enemy of Mayor Shank for a long time. Mr. Shank has indicated upon a number of occasions that nothing would give him greater happiness than to see Mr. Swift's connection with the city go.

Mr. Swift said he would not resign anyway. In view of these rumors, Mr. Swift said, he and Mr. Lingenfelter had felt that for the sake of the board's work the services of the seven men should be guaranteed by being contracted for for the period of the work.

This led Mr. Elliott to remark that he thought it was a little discourteous on the part of the majority of the former board to take such action, but that that was a matter of the past and now the whole board should look toward the good of the future.

NAMED ENGINEER FOR HIS ABILITY.

In answer to Mr. Swift's indirect charge that Mr. Shank was trying to wreck the board's organization, Mr. Elliott outlined the manner of his own appointment as city civil engineer. He said he was not appointed as a politician, but as an engineer.

It is well known that Mr. Shank did not know Mr. Elliott and had never seen him until the day he called the engineer to the Lincoln hotel to inform him he had been selected to head the engineering department.

Mr. Elliott said he had made only one promise to Mr. Shank and the public and that that was to do what he felt was absolutely right and for the best interest of the people at large. He assured Mr. Swift and Mr. Craven his actions as a sanitary board member would be upon this principle.

BREAK CONTRACTS FOR EFFICIENCY.

"If I feel that there is inefficiency and excess in the overhead of the department I will do anything I can to correct it, even to the extent of breaking those contracts if desirable," said Mr. Elliott. "However, I will not do anything until I have investigated and determined in my own mind what is the right and just thing to do."

"There never has been a single word of discussion between Mr. Shank and myself about sanitary board appointments. Mr. Shank never has asked to have anybody fired or appointed in this department. I do not intend to fire anybody unless in the interest of saving money and justifying it to the public. If it is justified to spend all that money for overhead I'm going to stand by it, but if it is not I'm going to do all I can to eliminate the excess."

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Collins interrupted, shouting: "Have you seen their ruined homes? Have you heard their murdered sons?"

O'Connor had started off mildly enough, saying he was going to set an example of brevity.

SAYS FRIENDS OF TREATY DESERVED.

"The treaty has suffered from the derision of some of its advocates," said O'Connor. "I am unable to understand whether it was a treaty of consent or was signed under duress."

One of the most virulent attacks against the treaty was made by Countess Marie-Cecile, a member of the Dail Cabinet.

"I prefer death to the dishonor of this treaty," said she. "I know the people of Ireland stand by me, that they will fight to their death."

FREEDOM IN PEACE TREATY

ARMAGH, Ireland, Jan. 3.—"The Irish peace treaty gives greater freedom than Ireland was ever offered before," said Cardinal Logue, primate of Ireland, in a public address here today. "It gives substantially everything necessary to the welfare and progress of the country. It would be a terrible calamity if it were rejected on account of verbal quibbles."

REPORT REIGN OF TERROR IN BELFAST

BELFAST, Jan. 3.—Mobs held this city in a reign of terror throughout the night. Heavy detachments of soldiers battled mobs in an effort to clear the streets and restore order. The soldiers fired on the mobs and used the bayonet. Armored cars are patrolling the streets.

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YELLOW CAB LINE SUES WEIDLEY.

Judgment of \$15,000 today was asked in a suit filed in Superior Court, Room 2, by the Yellow Cab Manufacturing Company, formerly the Walden W. Shaw Livery Company against the Weidley Motors Company of Indianapolis for alleged breach of contract. It is claimed that the plaintiff had a contract with the defendant company by which the motor company was to furnish a certain type of engine. The plaintiff claims that the contract was violated when the defendant company did not provide the type of engine designated in the contract.

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Several days probably will elapse before the Republican caucus on the subject of the committee assignments will be held. It is probable that the committee will be able to work out a program which will be the scramble for committee assignments.

Six months at least of strenuous labor confronts Congress with considerable legislation of the utmost importance to be disposed of.

Republican and Democratic leaders alike are wondering what effect prospective tariff and other domestic legislation will have on this year's congressional elections and they are both mapping out their courses accordingly.

The first thing of a political controversial nature to engage the Senate's attention will be the Ford-Newberry election contest, final consideration of which is expected to be begun by unanimous consent on Friday.

Each side is claiming enough votes to either seat or unseat Senator Newberry. The vote probably will not come until next week.

The "unfinished business" of the Senate is the legislation to close "after farmers" on the Federal Reserve Board. By unanimous consent final consideration of the bill is to be begun not later than 2 p. m. Jan. 17.

The so-called anti-lynching bill is one of the first measures the House will tackle. The customary appropriation bills are to be taken up subsequently under the new budget system after they are reported in turn by the House Appropriations Committee.

HAY SUSTAINS TWO POINTS IN SWAILS' BEHALF

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