

WILL AID INVESTIGATION

League of American Municipalities Will Assist Mr. Wright.

LIGHT NEEDED ON MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP

Convention of City Officials Endorses the Proposed Work of Statistical Department of the Bureau of Labor.

COLUMBUS, O., Oct. 1.—The League of American Municipalities redeemed itself this morning to some extent from the effects of its questionable action of yesterday afternoon by passing the following resolutions introduced by Hon. Albert J. Boardman of Tampa, Fla.:

"Whereas, This national conference of mayors and members of the city councils has been informed by the United States Department of Labor, has undertaken an investigation of water, gas and electric lighting works, a clear outline of the methods, form and purposes of this investigation has been given by Mr. Allen Ripley Foote in a paper read before this conference, and

"Whereas, Hon. Carroll D. Wright, United States commissioner of labor, has announced that the object of this investigation is to enable municipalities and the citizens thereof to determine whether there is economic advantage to consumers in the municipal ownership and operation of water, gas and electric lighting works, and

"Whereas, Such an investigation by the expert and impartial authority of the United States Department of Labor, which can reach every municipality and legislative assembly, is sorely needed and will have a vital and far-reaching influence in correctly guiding public policy on this question of paramount importance to all municipalities; be it, therefore,

Resolved, 1. That this conference cordially approves the investigation as set forth in Mr. Foote's paper, and as the purpose stated by Hon. Carroll D. Wright, United States commissioner of labor.

"That the delegates to this conference tender to the United States Department of Labor and to its duly accredited agents their cooperation in every practical way, to facilitate this investigation, and to make the information collected complete and accurate.

"That in the scope of this conference all municipalities and the managers of all public service corporations should promptly and cordially aid in the investigation, and in their part to expedite the work of this investigation, to the end that through it statistics may be secured that will be of benefit to all persons as a reliable basis for comparison."

Boardman supported the resolution in a forcible speech on the subject of getting more light on this important subject. Mayor Moore of Youngstown, O., and Mayor Green of Birmingham, N. Y., followed him with cordial expressions of approval.

Papers were read at the morning session on "The Filtration of Water," by Engineer Weston of Providence, R. I., and on "The Conservation of Sewerage," by Alexander Potter of New York City. The customary resolutions of thanks were also presented.

DANGER OF STRIKE NOT YET OVER. Street Car Employees Will Resist Discharge of Union Men.

CHICAGO, Oct. 1.—The danger of a tie-up of the lines of the City Railway company is not over yet. A mass meeting of street car employees was held today at Sixty-third and Halsted streets, and resolutions were unanimously adopted endorsing the organization of a local branch of the Amalgamated Association of Street Car Employees of America.

The most important action taken, however, was the giving by secret ballot of the power to order a strike without notice to the company. The plan of the executive committee to resist any further dismissal of employees was also adopted.

It is said that the 4,000 employees of the Chicago City Railway, more than 800 have so far affiliated themselves with the union.

On behalf of the men it is officially denied that a strike Sunday was decided upon or that a strike under present circumstances is contemplated. At the suggestion of E. V. Debs, the aid of central injunctions and prohibitions invoked by the union.

OVERESTIMATED THE FAIR ESTATE. Deceased Met with Heavy Reverse in Late Years.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 1.—Call says today that the appraisers of the estate of the late James G. Fair have completed their task and will present their report to the probate court in a few days.

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Illinois Delegates Express Astonishment Over the Action of the Lincolnites—Utah Delegates Arrive.

L. H. Davis and Arthur P. Cutler, both of Chicago, and both delegates to the irrigation convention that just closed at Lincoln, passed their way home. Both men are irrigation enthusiasts and were greatly interested in the proceedings of the convention. They expressed the greatest surprise, however, at the fact that the session for next year had not been located in Omaha. Both were very positive in their expressions that Omaha was unquestionably the place where the next meeting should be held and they expressed their astonishment at the actions of the Lincoln delegates, who they felt were completely wrong when the question of location was under discussion and Omaha was being urged as the location for next year. The Chicago men said that a little work on the part of the Lincoln delegates at the right time would have turned the tide in favor of Omaha and this city would undoubtedly have been chosen.

The visitors stated that Cheyenne had been selected for the next meeting, but they were sure that their conviction that this action would have been reversed if the meeting was to be made successful. They said that with the exposition in Omaha and the many other advantages related in one way or another to agriculture and irrigation it would be foolish to expect that anyone would go out to Cheyenne, on the extreme edge of the irrigation district, to attend a meeting. They stated that the executive committee of the irrigation congress should have authority to relocate the place of meeting if they concluded that it would be found necessary for the committee to change the location and choose another place.

A party of six of the Utah delegates to the irrigation convention just concluded at Lincoln arrived in Omaha yesterday to attend the meeting. They were accompanied by Utah people propose making as a part of the Utah exhibit. The party was headed by William W. Young, secretary of the exposition for Utah, and Brigham Young, the son of the renowned leader of the Mormons. They were taken out to the exposition grounds by the chief of irrigation, W. Taylor, chief of the Bureau of Irrigation. The grounds were examined by the visitors, who expressed the greatest surprise at the location of the exposition grounds. They carefully examined the fair ground tract, where five acres were selected for the plant which the Utah people will install and maintain in operation.

CITY OFFICIALS MAY GO TO JAIL. Judge Scott Demands That Cox Be Placed on Police Force.

Unless W. W. Cox is reinstated as chief of the Omaha detective force before 10 o'clock this morning the whole Board of Fire and Police Commissioners, including the mayor, may be thrown into jail for contempt of court. An order to this effect was entered by Judge Scott yesterday when his attention was formally called to the fact that the board had discharged Cox in the face of an order requiring the board to place him on the force until the trial of the case of the court.

Judge Scott expressed himself in the most emphatic manner at the action of the board and at the fact that the board had acted in defiance to his order. He said he did not propose to stand it and expressed his firm determination to find out whether the order of the board had been obeyed. He said he would call the Police Commissioners in the highest authority. He ordered Cox's attorney to appear in court and to advise the members of the board to immediately reinstate Cox in action in discharging Cox and to restore him to the position stipulated in the temporary order of Judge Scott. The board was instructed to make the order returnable at 10 o'clock this morning. The judge remarked that the sheriff had better prepare five of his constables to have ready to occupy unless the order was obeyed.

JOHN GETZ ENDS HIS TROUBLES. Body Indicates that the Man Took His Own Life.

The body of John Getz, who ran a little notion establishment at 2018 North Twenty-ninth street, was found in the store room yesterday. The body was badly decomposed. It is supposed that Getz committed suicide by shooting himself. The deceased had lived at the home given for about three months. He formerly operated a store at Twenty-second street, but had been in the city for some time of Omaha for about ten years. He was unmarried and was about 70 years of age.

The body was discovered by Mesdames Baird and Burnett, neighbors, who informed the police. Getz was last seen alive on Tuesday evening. His death is supposed to have occurred that night. The act was supposed to have been committed on account of ill health, as he had suffered from dropsy for a number of years. The deceased left \$500 on deposit in one of the local banks. A brother, H. Getz, who lives at Jordan, Minn., has been telegraphed.

CLOSING THE WHEEL WORKS CASE. Judge Munger Will Not Hand Down Verdict Until Afternoon.

The hearing in the wheel works case was closed yesterday afternoon and Judge Munger closed the case under advisement. He at first thought he might be able to pass upon it at the close of the argument, but in the two weeks the attorneys have been arguing the matter so much has been introduced that he will not be able to give some attention to these matters before making his decision.

John W. Wabash began the closing argument yesterday, and devoted his time to proving that the American Water Works company had no right to mortgage its franchise without the consent of the city. On this ground he alleged that the company forfeited its franchise and that it reverted back to the power which granted it.

Permits for New Buildings. A number of permits for handsome dwellings were issued yesterday by Building Inspector Butler. Dr. C. C. Allison will build a two-story frame dwelling at 1250 South Twenty-ninth street at a cost of \$2,500. N. B. Ralston will build a similar structure at 1250 South Twenty-ninth street at a cost of \$2,500. A. Joslin has taken a permit to erect a two-story gate and gardener's house on his property at 3564 Davenport street, which will cost \$2,500.

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Marriages Licenses. Licenses to wed have been issued by the county judge to the following parties: Name and Residence. Age. William H. Babler, South Omaha 24 Myrtle Bryant, South Omaha 20 Charles E. Wadsworth, South Omaha 26 Beattie M. Kidder, Pottawattamie Co., Ia. 18 Charles Zantow, Omaha 23 Ellen Holmquist, Omaha 24

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