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Civic Federation Votes Approval Police Raise

URGES CHANGE IN STATE ROADS COMMISSION LAWS

RECOMMITS REPORT AGAINST FIVE POINT LIQUOR PROGRAM

After more than three hours of debate Monday night the Montgomery County Civic Federation finally adopted a resolution favoring an increase in the salaries of county police.

For a time during the debate it was police vs. school teachers, as opponents of the police raise insisted that school teachers were more in need of increased salaries than the guardians of the law. Other speakers who declared that not a cent for increased salaries should be voted so long as no money was being paid on overdue bonds, were told that $12,000 a year was an insignificant pittance which would in no way affect the county's financial situation. Finally a secret ballot was agreed upon and the delegates voted in favor of the police by 54 to 38. Steps will now be taken to urge action by the legislature.

Roads Resolution

In opposition to the demand that county roads be returned to the county, for improvement work, the Federation adopted without discussion the following resolution:

"RESOLVED, That the Montgomery County Civic Federation recommends the re-enactment of Chapter 425 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland 1935 for a period of two years providing the Act is amended to provide for greater cooperation between the State Roads Commission and the County Commissioners in the following particulars:

1. To require the State Roads Commission to submit monthly reports to the County Commissioners showing complete expenditures made and on what roads and for what purposes the expenditures were made.

2. To require an authorized representative of the State Roads Commission to appear at meetings of the County Commissioners at least once in every three months to submit the recommendations of the Commission for major lateral highway, maintenance, construction and reconstruction work for their approval and authorization. In no event shall the amount expended by the Commission in each county be in excess of that county's allotment from the proceeds of the lateral gas tax.

3. That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Maryland State Roads Commission, the Board of County Commissioners of Montgomery County, and to the members of the General Assembly of Maryland."

Liquor Law

Chairman Yoke of the legislative committee offered a resolution against the recently announced five-point program recommended by the Montgomery County Beer Dealers Association. This subject not having been on the Federation calendar the delegates in opposition were unable to agree upon the form of the resolution. A motion to table was made but failed of adoption. A motion to recommit the Yoke resolution was then made and carried.

It was apparent however that this subject will be a storm center at future meetings.

Resolutions on the Federation's program which were not acted upon were a recommendation urging the enactment of legislation placing all non-elective employes, with the exception of school teachers, under Civil Service, and a recommendation urging the enactment of legislation creating a Comptroller for Montgomery County comparable to the position of Comptroller General of the United States.

Colmery, Legion Commander Will Visit Maryland

National Commander Harry W. Colmery will visit Maryland, Feb. 5.

His sojourn in the State will be marked by many festivities, although his stay will be for only 24 hours. He will arrive about noon of the 5th of February, proceed to the Lord Baltimore under special police escort, and then at a private luncheon receive civic and fraternal dignitaries. He will broadcast a little later in the afternoon, which will be followed by a sightseeing trip around the city, his reception culminating with the large banquet at the Lord Baltimore Hotel at 7 p. m. Outstanding leaders from 12 states and over 2,000 members of The American Legion and invited guests will attend. He will have a forcible, specially prepared speech for the occasion, which will be broadcast. He will leave next morning for Boston.

EASTERN STAR OF KENSINGTON INSTALLATION

Installation of officers of Kensington Chapter, No. 39, Order of the Eastern Star, was held Monday, January 4, with Past Grand Matron Minnie Hopple as installing officer, assisted by Past Grand Matron Cecil Traband, acting Grand Marshall.

The following were installed: Worthy Matron, Mrs. Pauline Van Fossen; Worthy Patron, John P. Price; Associate Matron, Mrs. Theodora N. Kingston; Associate Patron, Robert W. Buzzard; Conductress, Mrs. Eulalie O. McEachern; Associate Conductress, Mrs. Pearl A. Dierdorf; Secretary, P. M. Pearle M. Saunders; Treasurer, P. M. Margaret P. Bean; Chaplain, P. M. Jean M. Lewis; Marshal, Mrs. Nannie Flinn; Organist, P. M. Lyndall L. Kitterman; Adah, Mrs. Ellen Buzzard; Ruth, Mrs. Carol Waldron; Esther, Miss Anna Belle Dierdorf; Martha, P. M. Julia S. Bean; Electa, Mrs. Ellen Funkhouser; Warden, P. M. Maybelle T. Maddox; Sentinel, Ralph W. Van Fossen.

Mrs. Maybelle T. Maddox and Walter B. McEachern, retiring Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron, were presented with Past Officers Jewels. There were many visitors present from all parts of the state, as well as the District of Columbia.

DEMOCRATIC WOMEN MEET

Democratic women of Bethesda met Monday evening for the purpose of forming a Women's Democratic Club.

Mrs. Thomas Lewis, chairman of the nominating committee, made a report on the selection of officers for the coming year. Nominations also are wanted from the floor.

All Democratic women of the Bethesda area are invited to attend the meetings. Mrs. Walter Perry has been asked to preside at the meeting until selection of officers is made.

J. BOND SMITH RE-ELECTED BY DEMOCRATS

At a meeting this week of the Young Men's Democratic Club of Takoma Park, Md., J. Bond Smith was re-elected for a third consecutive term.

Other officers elected are: First vice president, F. Byrne Austin; second vice president, Walter C. Griffin; secretary, Ralph Shure; treasurer, Oscar Scherger; vice president, fourth precinct, Luke J. Bennett; vice president, sixth precinct, Frank J. Hayes; vice president, ninth precinct, Ben G. Wilkinson, Jr.

The only contested offices were those for first vice president, with F. Byrne Austin and Charles Y. Latimer in the field, and that of secretary, with Ralph Shure and Paul Groves as contestants. Acting President Latimer paid tribute to the work of President Smith since the organization of the club and urged his re-election.

MONTGOMERY POLICEMAN AND F. B. I.

A representative of the Montgomery County Police Department will be among 35 State, county and municipal law enforcement officers who have been selected to attend the next session of the National Police Academy of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, opening Monday at the Department of Justice.

A number of local authorities on special phases of police work will aid in the lecture course, which will cover everything a policeman should know —from ballistics to ju-jitsu.

Chevy Chase Gardens Citizens To Meet

The next meeting of the association will be held Monday, January 18th, at Somerset School.

Standing committees for 1937 are announced as follows:

Laws and legislation (including taxation and zoning)—R. A. Littleton, chairman, R. P. Huff, Frederick H. Cox, John R. Galbraith, Bernard L. Eberts.

Public Welfare (including fire and police protection)—F. H. Davis, chairman, Chas. E. Jackson, Lewis Eisele, Charles H. Squire, George H. Fonken.

Public Utilities (including mail, water and sewer) — Charles W. Bucy chairman, T. F. Behler, Kenneth McAuliffe, T. O. Nichols.

Publicity and Entertainment—Mrs. Otto Ruppert, chairman, Mrs. Charles E. Jackson, Mrs. J. H. Verkouteren, Mrs. F. H. Cox, Mrs. J. C. Diamond, Mrs. Chas. H. Squire.

Membership — Lacey F. Rickey, chairman, Dale H. Flagg, R. A. Littleton, P. L. Baldwin, T. F. Behler.

Education—Mrs. J. H. Verkouteren, chairman, Mrs. M. P. Hanson, Mrs. Lewis Eisele, Mrs. J. M. Rowe, Mrs. P. L. Baldwin.

Streets and Parks — Fred Genau, chairman, Mrs. A. W. Hummel, Ira C. Everett, R. P. Huff, A. H. Krueger, C. H. Ziegler.

Young Republicans To Give Lincoln Day Ball

The Young Republicans of Montgomery County, District of Columbia, and northen Virginia have united to stage at the Raleigh Hotel in Washington, a mammouth Ball to honor the memory of Abraham Lincoln on February 12th. It is expected that many of the nationally prominent Republicans will be box holders as this affair is to take on National prominance and become an annual affair.

William Mondell, son of ex Senator Mondell of Wyoming, is General Chairman, while Mrs Aileen Heady and Wilton T. Allen are co-chairman for Montgomery County. Assisting Mrs. Heady and Mr. Allen are Miss Rose K. Dawson of Rockville, Mr. Richard B. Barker of Westmoreland Hills, Mr. Byron Sedgwick of Silver Spring, Mrs. Louis T. Rouleau of Silver Spring and Wilson L. Townsend of Kensington. Invitations to the affair will go forward shortly. As Montgomery County has been assigned only a limited number of boxes, it is expected that the demand for them will be great with those applying early being the successful holders. A list of the box holders will be published as reservations are made.

Host of Maryland Farmers Attend 21st Convention

Tax Changes, Road Development, Corn and Potato Show Special Features

Taxes and construction reports on road improvement, co-operative development, the national agricultural program, rural electrification and the corn and potato show were the important subjects discussed by Maryland farmers at the 21st Annual Convention of the Maryland Agriculture Society and the Maryland Farm Bureaus, Inc., held this week in Baltimore.

The tax report considered at the meeting was that drawn up by the joint committee of Maryland State Grange and Farm Bureau, and which was approved by the Grange convention in December.

The present convention was opened by Mayor Jackson, who welcomed the delegates to Baltimore. Twenty of the state's 23 counties were represented. Other speakers included:

Morris Cooke, Administrator of the Rural Electrification Administration.

Chester H. Gray, Washington representative of the American Farm Bureal Federation.

William J. Morse, of the United States Department of Agriculture.

Prof. W. D. Termohlen, of the Agricultural Adjustment Administration.

R. E. Lothrop, of the Federal Bureau of Chemistry and Soils.

R. C. Pollock, general manager of the National Live Stock and Meat Board of Chicago.

H. H. Zimmerly, director of the Virginia Truck Experiment Station.

Corn and Potato Show

A special feature of the convention was a corn and potato show held in the balcony of the Lord Baltimore Hotel ballroom.

The Maryland State Hatchery Association gave a luncheon Wednesday. The stockmen and the State Poultry Council held dinners that evening. The annual Farm Bureau ball took place at the same time. The Farm Bureau's annual banquet will go given tonight. On Friday there will be a luncheon for the Farm Bureau directors.

H. H. Nuttle, president of the Maryland Agricultural Society, will preside at all the business meetings.

PRESCOTT OF MONTGOMERY JOINS BLOC

Louis J. O'Donnell in Baltimore Sun

Hagerstown, Jan. 11.—Five of the dominant Democratic leaders of Western Maryland, in conference here today, decided to form a bloc for participation in the forthcoming Gubernatorial race.

All formerly were important lieutenants in the Ritchie organization. They included:

William C. Walsh of Cumberland.

William Preston Lane, Jr., former Attorney-General, of Hagerstown.

William D. Byron, former Senator from Washington county.

State Senator Stedman Prescott of Montgomery.

David C. Winebrenner, former Secretary of State.

Group Neutral

It was reported at the conclusion of the conference that the group wanted it understood that at this juncture it is not "for anybody or against anybody."

Mr. Lane himself has been mentioned as a possible candidate. After this conference of the leaders, they met with the State Central Committee in the Sixth Congressional district. These meetings were followed by a mass meeting under the auspices of the Democratic Organization Club of Western Maryland at the Masonic Temple.

Nice Says Dem. Majority Killed $2.00 Tag Plan

Stung by criticism of his failure to bring about $2 automobile license tags, Governor Nice charges his plans were thwarted by the Democratic majority in the Legislature.

Governor Nice called reports of his failure to carry out his campaign pledge unfair. Said he:

"For more than two years, I have been criticized rather severely for my alleged failure to redeem my campaign promise in connection with auto license tags. This, I think, has been more or less unfair and unjust.

"I should like you to make publication of the fact that, in 1935, early in the session, I introduced my budget, balanced in every sense of the word, and in which budget there was provided a reduction of the cost of license tags from an average of $8.30 to $5.20 —a net reduction of $3.10."

Gov. Commends Legislation Enacted By Assembly

The Fair Trade Act safeguarding the consumer and protecting the merchant.

Requiring the city and counties to make financial reports to the Board of Public Works.

Authorizing the filling of vacancies in the Senate and House and eliminating the necessity of special elections.

Creating the State Old Age Pension Law.

Limiting the use of injunctions in labor disputes.

Increasing the penalties for kidnapping.

Giving veterans the preference in State employment.

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