

WOULD ELIMINATE ALL COMMISSIONS AND ALL BOARDS

Adoption of Commission Plan Charter Would Make Very Sweeping Changes; Dock Board Would Go With Rest.

One of the sweeping proposals of the commission plan charter now ready for submission to the official charter board and then to the people, is the elimination of all commissions and boards, including the public docks commission.

Should the commission plan charter be approved by the people of the city at the special election, which it now seems will be held sometime next autumn, the water board, the executive board and the park board and board of health will automatically cease to exist after June 1, 1913, and all their powers and prerogatives will be vested in the commission of five members, each as the head of a separate municipal department.

As the intent of commission plan government is to simplify municipal procedure and so centralize responsibility and authority, the work of the city may economically and efficiently be transacted no particular sorrow will be felt because of the demise of the boards that have been supplementing the efforts of the mayor and council, with the possible exception of the dock commission.

Dock Commission Must Go.

"It was not friendly to the idea of abolishing the dock commission, because its duties are of cumulative character," said Richard W. Montague, chairman of the charter revision committee of the charter board, "but since the charter is so planned as not to become effective until 1913, if approved by the people, it was the vote of the charter board that the dock commission should go with the rest, at the same time, and not six months or a year after the charter took effect, as was first proposed."

It is known that the dock commission will cease to exist without the consent of the dock commissioners, who feel that the work as outlined for Portland by the present unremunerated board should be continued until the first docks are built and the effect of the opening of the Panama canal upon Portland commerce is determined. The commissioners, including the chairman, Frederick W. Mulkey, feel that the extensive operations of the commission should not be given an additional duty to a single department that may already be overloaded with new duties.

In the outline of departments, each to be headed by a commissioner under commission plan government, no mention is made of a special public docks department. There are mentioned the departments of public affairs, finance, public safety, public utilities and public improvements, and it is presumed that the duties of the dock board will be vested in the department of public improvements. How much of the necessary pioneering in plan and vision may be carried on by the department is problematical.

Powers Very Large.

The powers of the dock commission are very large and its responsibilities are in accord. It is to direct the spending of the \$2,500,000 in dock bonds voted by the people, including the construction of municipally owned water terminals, sites for which have already been indicated on both the east and west banks of the Willamette river. It is to devise and execute a plan for the reformation of the entire harbor, including the elimination of the wooden firetrap docks which have made Portland harbor the laughing stock of all navigators. A beginning has been made in this elimination by the dock commission's order that no more wooden docks shall be constructed and none shall be allowed to remain longer than 15 years. With the Port of Portland commission it is the duty of the dock board to make the Portland harbor accessible and free to the world's shipping, especially to that resulting from the opening of the Panama canal, and to place its advantages prominently before all commercial interests. The interruption proposed by the charter board is feared by the dock commission and by many who have at heart the adequate development of the Portland harbor.

A meeting of the charter board may be held tomorrow night to consider the completed report of the revision committee, though as yet none has been called said S. Grout, secretary and member of the board, last night.

Will Meet This Week.

If the meeting is not called for tomorrow evening it will likely be held sometime during the week, as there is anxiety on the part of a number of the members to finish with the work so far as construction is concerned, and to put the proposed new plan for the government of Portland before the people for at least 30 days before it is submitted at a special election.

The completed report containing the charter as at present proposed consists of 75 typewritten pages. Additional sections will probably be added, including the section that will give the Greater Portland plan as formulated by Municipal Architect E. H. Bennett, advisory influence in public improvements.

In the main this charter provides for four commissioners to be elected by the people at an annual salary of \$500, for a mayor to be popularly elected at a salary of \$600, and for a city auditor, to be elected. Other city officials, including the city attorney or corporation counsel, the treasurer and police judges are to be appointed by the commission of five members, or the council as it will be known.

Provisions are made for publicity, for guarding the rights of the people in granting franchises, for publishing in advance of the proposed charter, proposals, and for special attention to popular rights in the matter of street and other improvements. The need for a charter of such length as will be submitted has been questioned and it is possible that it may be further condensed.

WOODROW WILSON WILL BE NOTIFIED FORMALLY AUG. 7

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Of the important letters and telegrams received and will spend the most of the next 10 days in that task. Between times he expects to prepare both a speech of acceptance of the nomination and a letter to be made public at the time he is officially notified, in which he will discuss the issues of the campaign from his standpoint.

He declared today there was no doubt

MEMBERS OF ELKS' GRAND LODGE JUDICIARY COMMITTEE



Left to right—Standing, R. W. Nuzum, Spokane, Wash.; K. H. Gordon, grand treasurer, Atlanta, Ga. (not member of committee); sitting, left to right, Raymond Benjamin, Napa, Cal.; J. F. Burkett, Atlanta, Ga.; Walter P. Andrews, Findlay, Ohio.

in his mind that the tariff will be the real issue in the coming campaign. He declared that it overshadowed the trust question and that there was no doubt that it would be the paramount issue from the opening to the closing of the campaign. "Just as sure as you start your arrival at the trusts," declared the governor.

It was announced tonight that the notification ceremonies, August 21, would be marked by the utmost simplicity, consisting only of the speech by Chairman Ollie James and the address of acceptance by Governor Wilson.

It was, indeed, a "rocky road to Dublin town" for four travel weary and sand covered Missourians, former Clark boosters who, long after sundown, wobbled up to the "Little White House" in a limping automobile, the third that they had used in their trip from New York. They had set out on their journey at 9 a. m. to pay their respects to Governor Wilson and assure him of Missouri's wholehearted support. They were Colonel Fred W. Fleming and Edward S. Villmore, of Kansas City, Charles T. Geraghty, of St. Louis, and William F. Johnson, of Booneville, prosecuting attorney of Cooper county.

Missourians Pledge Support.

The four were among Missouri's 36 at the Baltimore convention, most of whom already had visited the "summer capitol." They were warmly received by Governor Wilson and commiserated upon the vicissitudes of their journey by the governor's wife and daughter. After a conference with the nominee in which Missouri's votes were pledged and acknowledged, the four set out on the return trip, devoutly hoping that their bad luck was over. All of them had reservations for Saturday night trains westward.

"We had all the accidents in the world and used up three cars, but it was worth it," said one of the four, as he came out of the Wilson home.

Another visitor was Theodore A. Bell, a delegate from California, who was temporary chairman of the Denver convention of four years ago. Bell declared he was convinced that Wilson did not mean " Bryan or Bryanism" and that he believed the governor would sweep the entire Pacific coast.

OFFICIAL CALL FOR BIG ROOSEVELT MEETING IS TO BE MADE TODAY

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That association, was a caller on Colonel Roosevelt at Greater Bay this afternoon. He said that he went to consult the colonel about the judiciary ticket to be put up in New York by the state convention, and declared Colonel Roosevelt had agreed with him that only men of the highest stamp who will stand for social and industrial justice should be nominated for the bench.

Asked about the reported desertions from the progressive ranks, Colonel Roosevelt this afternoon said: "The desertions are mostly by politicians and men 'hitched up' and who you their places will be more than filled by those from the ranks."

Frank O. Butterworth of New Haven, State Senator Alsop and Ernest Smith were Connecticut men who called at Sagamore Hill for a conference. Charles E. Merriam of Chicago also was a visitor.

Roosevelt Calls Conference.

(By the International News Service.) Washington, July 6.—Colonel Roosevelt is calling by telegraph all his congressional friends to meet him for conferences at Oyster Bay on Sunday. They are promised that on Monday they shall meet with his campaign managers in New York and then outline their campaign plans.

Representative George Curry of New Mexico predicts that a number of senators and members of the house will be in the gathering to be entertained by the colonel Sunday but names are withheld.

Pointdexter Out for Roosevelt.

Washington, July 6.—Senator Pointdexter of Washington, came out for the Roosevelt progressive party in a statement issued tonight. He declared his belief that Taft had been "illegally nominated by the Chicago convention" and that a third party free from machine and boss rule was necessary to restore the rule of the people and that the proposed new movement would sweep the country at the coming election.

DAZZLING BEAUTY OF CITY AT NIGHT IS LIKE SCENE OF FAIRYLAND

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who stood on the sidewalks last night and admired its beauty.

Yeon Building Handsome.

The illumination of the Yeon building is novel and striking. Strings of lights, closely set, hang from the roof to the sidewalk, 15 stories below. The three upper stories with festoons along the surrounding cornice are hung with white lights. The remaining distance is in purple. On the roof, the greeting, "Hello Bill," in purple and white, shines forth in man-high letters.

The Meier & Frank building is striking with illuminated elk heads, great clock dials and festoons of purple and white lights. The imposing Wells-Pargo building features an immense clock face outlined in lights, the dial extending the entire half block width of the building. On the roof a beautiful set piece in colored lights, representing a coach drawn by an elk, is an interesting feature. The lights are operated and flash on and off to give the impression that the stately animal is running and the wheels of the coach revolve rapidly to further carry out the idea.

The Olds, Wortman & King building is festooned with the predominant col-

Journal Building Admired.

One of the fairest and most admired of the illuminations last night was that of the new Journal building. The strings of permanent lights encircling the structure and studding the imposing superstructure and dome, were turned on for the first time, and the radiance reflect-

ed from the pure white of the building also shines forth in the popular colors.

The Honeyman building is tastily illuminated, artistic window displays adding to its beauty. The Commercial club building is artistically lighted, and in fact nearly every downtown place of business has some brilliance to add to the magnificent display.

The hotels are all illuminated, within

as well as without, in keeping with the spirit of the occasion. Headquarters signs are everywhere in evidence around the hostilities, and convention crowds made merry on the eve of convention week.

Portland probably has never welcomed a more cosmopolitan or more metropolitan crowd than that which thronged the downtown streets last evening and until late last night. Though the convention crowds are not scheduled to come in any great numbers until today, there were many on the streets last evening wearing badges which identified them as from cities far and near.

Local residents apparently took every advantage of the opportunity to see for the first time the beauties of the illuminations which have been in the making for weeks, and with them the strangers mingled in the best of nature.

At times during the early night, sidewalk traffic was almost tied up by the crowds which stood in admiration before many of the handsomely illuminated buildings. With exclamations of delight, surprise and praise for those who have made possible such magnificence of the city by night, homefolk and stranger alike, whiled away the hours.

M'CURBER PLEADS FOR SENATOR LORIMER AS VICTIM OF A VILE PLOT

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There will be a majority of 16 against Lorimer.

"I say the senate is sitting as a court in this case," said Senator Meyers, in attacking the plea of res judicata, raised in the defense of Lorimer. "Every court under English jurisdiction can command a new trial, ex-

cept justices of the peace of police courts. Surely none in this chamber would place the senate on a level with justices of the peace or police courts."

"When a grand jury began an investigation of the Lorimer case, Representative R. E. Wilson fled to Canada and registered under an assumed name. 'The wicked flee when no man pursueth.' But they flee much faster when someone is after them, especially if the pursuer is a grand jury."

Would Use Red Flag.

"There was only one thing more that would have been appropriate in the demonstration that followed Lorimer's election. The stars and stripes should have been removed from the flagstaff over the Illinois capital and the red flag of an auctioneer substituted for it."

The red flag should flaunt there until the senate is purged of the presence of Senator Lorimer.

"The whole record reeks with rotteness, infamy and debauchery. When a Democrat in the senate votes for a Republican who was elected by methods used in Lorimer's behalf, then something is wrong with his mind, or his morals, or both. Everybody in Springfield knew what was going on."

"It was a sign that something was wrong when Leo O'Neill Brown used an hour to explain his vote. He said he had 1000 reasons for voting for Lorimer."

"I am satisfied that he did have 1000 reasons and that they were in his pocket book. Each bore the imprint of the American eagle and the motto, 'In God We Trust.'"

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