

ways," by A. B. Shepherd, Pittsburgh, of the Jones & Laughlin Steel Co.

At the banquet on the evening of March 2, addresses were scheduled by Vice-President Coolidge; the Minister of Czechoslovakia; Secretary Hoover; Senator Fletcher, of Florida; Representative Alice M. Robinson of Oklahoma, and former Representative J. Adam Bede, of Minnesota.

Personal Notes

R. C. Dearborn has been appointed chairman of the National Perishable Freight Committee, at Chicago, succeeding E. S. Briggs, who resigned to become secretary and manager of the American Fruit & Vegetable Shippers' Association.

W. G. Barnwell, assistant freight traffic manager for the Santa Fe, with headquarters at San Francisco, died suddenly, February 28, while in Chicago attending a meeting of the Trans-continental Freight Bureau. Mr. Barnwell was born in 1865, in Danville, Quebec, and began his railway career with the Canada Atlantic as clerk in 1881. He entered the services of the Southern California Railway, a part of what is now the A. T. & S. F., in 1891.

William E. Hines, formerly traffic manager for the Arcady Farms Milling Company, Chicago, has been appointed soliciting freight agent for the Gulf Coast Lines, at Chicago.

William A. Clemens has been appointed traveling freight agent for the Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburgh Railway Company, at Chicago.

D. R. Crotsley, formerly general agent for the Central Vermont Railway, at New York, has been elected vice-president of the Lehigh Warehouse & Transportation Company, Newark, N. J. L. C. Dever has succeeded Mr. Crotsley as general agent for the Central Vermont.

Hal M. Remington, for the past four years assistant manager of the traffic bureau of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce, has been appointed manager and traffic director of the California Growers' and Shippers' Protective League, at San Francisco.

William J. Cleary, formerly general purchasing agent for the Willys Corporation, at Elizabeth, N. J., has been appointed assistant general sales manager for the Sharon Pressed Steel Company of Sharon, Pa., with headquarters at Detroit.

F. W. Hampson has been appointed commercial agent for the Norfolk & Western, at Roanoke, Va.

H. C. Eargle, formerly with the Sims Oil Company, Dallas, Tex., has been appointed traffic manager for the Beaumont Chamber of Commerce, Beaumont, Tex., to succeed Charles A. Bland, who resigned.

DOINGS OF THE TRAFFIC CLUBS

The feature of the banquet given by the Indianapolis Traffic Club, at the Lincoln Hotel, February 23, was an address by Professor Archibald M. Hall on the ideals of Abraham Lincoln. Frank A. Butler, president of the club, acted as toastmaster.

At the annual meeting of the Miami Valley Traffic Club, held at Dayton, O., February 16, the following members were elected to the board of governors: A. H. Finley, traffic manager, Hooven & Allison Company, Xenia, O.; W. W. Winship, traffic manager, Miami Paper Company, West Carrollton, O.; T. P. Stabler, commercial freight agent, C. C. C. & St. L. Railroad, Dayton, O.; H. T. Ratliff, traffic manager, Champion Coated Paper Company, Hamilton, O.; B. O. Searles, general agent, C. M. & St. P. Railway, Cincinnati, O. At the first meeting of the board of governors the following officers were elected: President, T. T. Webster; vice-presidents, R. B. Mann, H. T. Ratliff, A. H. Finley, B. O. Searles and W. W. Winship; treasurer, R. H. Hagerman; secretary, Maurice T. Otto.

At a meeting of the board of governors of the Traffic Club of St. Louis, S. S. Butler, president, made a report of the recent meeting held in New York for the purpose of forming a National Association of Traffic Clubs. It was unanimously voted to extend an invitation to the traffic clubs of the United States to hold the organization meeting in St. Louis. The matter was submitted to the membership of the club at the regular meeting, February 28.

The following officers were elected at the annual meeting of the Wisconsin Traffic League, held in Milwaukee, February 25: President, C. M. Starks, traffic manager, Oshkosh Chamber of Commerce; vice-president, A. Murawsky, Milwaukee; secretary-treasurer, H. Gehrke, Milwaukee. The new board of directors is as follows: Max Bloch, Racine; C. R. Jeffrey, Waukesha; E. E. Meadley, Ashland; O. A. Kroos, Kohler; F. M. Wau-ton, Milwaukee; George Mergener, Milwaukee; W. H. Reynolds, W. W. West, La Crosse; A. C. Uecke, Milwaukee; L. A. Zimmers, Milwaukee.

man, Beaver Dam; L. B. Maxfield, Milwaukee; W. J. Lahl, Chicago; J. C. Chandler, Sheboygan, and C. J. Landuskey, Milwaukee.

The annual meeting and election of officers of the Traffic Club of Baltimore will take place at the Hotel Rennert, March 7. Two tickets, one selected by the nominating committee, and one so-called "independent ticket," are in the field.

A constitution was adopted at the meeting of the Traffic Club of Atlanta, held at the Peacock Cafe, February 25. A report of the proposed organization of a national association of traffic clubs was read to the members.

ASSOCIATION OF TRAFFIC CLUBS

A movement which is expected to result in a nation-wide organization of traffic clubs was begun last week in New York, when the presidents of seven of the leading traffic clubs of the country, and representatives of a number of other traffic clubs, met and formed a temporary organization the object of which is to lay the matter before the traffic clubs for their approval. W. J. L. Banham, chairman of the public affairs committee of the Traffic Club of New York, traffic manager for the Otis Elevator Company, was appointed chairman of this organization and N. G. Campbell, president of the Newark Traffic Club, was appointed secretary.

The attending traffic club presidents were as follows: George E. Boulineau, Traffic Club of Atlanta; George A. Buse, Traffic Club of Pittsburgh; S. S. Butler, St. Louis Traffic Club; Gerrit Fort, New England Traffic Club, Boston; M. R. Maxwell, Cleveland Traffic Club; R. B. Robertson, Chicago Traffic Club; T. T. Harkrader, Traffic Club of New York.

Mr. Banham, under the title, "Traffic Clubs and Their Opportunities," sent the following letter to the presidents of the principal traffic clubs in the United States. He reports that his letter has met with a favorable reception generally.

A meeting at which seven traffic club presidents and other duly authorized representatives of traffic clubs were present, was held at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel, New York City, February 20, 1922, for the purpose of discussing closer co-ordination and the feasibility of forming a national organization to be composed of all traffic clubs throughout the country should they desire to become members.

It was the sense of the meeting that this was the opportune time for the forming of such an organization, and the members present agreed to present this important question to their organization with a recommendation that such an organization be formed.

It was felt by those present that there is a necessity today for a national association, which would be in position to take up broad questions of mutual interest, particularly those in which the shippers and carriers of the country are involved. It was therefore recommended that the chairman, W. J. L. Banham, representing the meeting, be authorized to address a letter to the various traffic clubs of the country with a view to securing their co-operation and support.

It was further recommended that the question of forming such an organization should be brought to the attention of the traffic organizations of the country at as early date as possible, with the request that each traffic organization appoint two national committeemen to represent their organization, with authority to be present at a special meeting to be called by the chairman, for the purpose of forming an organization to be known as "The National Association of Traffic Clubs," and to elect officers, adopt suitable by-laws and a constitution, and to further lay down general principles and policies that should govern the proposed new organization.

I hope, therefore, that you will arrange to bring this matter before your organization and if acted upon favorably, authorize appointment named herein and forward to me names of appointees, together with titles and addresses, in order that I may take this matter up with them direct.

RAILROAD-STEAMSHIP CONTRACTS

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The Shipping Board, March 1, announced that it had required the complete cancellation of all contracts existing between Japanese steamship lines and the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul and the Great Northern. The order directing the cancellation was the outcome of a conference held with the representatives of the two railroads mentioned, at which Shipping Board was represented by Commissioners Lasker, O'Connor, Benson, Lissner and Chamberlain. The railroads were represented by President Byram of the Milwaukee, and Vice-presidents Kenney and Gilman of the Great Northern. The Seattle Chamber of Commerce, which had been represented at all prior conferences on the subject, was represented in the conference of March 1 by Vice-president Blaine, Mr. Underwood and ex-Senator Pile.

The conference at the conclusion of which the Board announced that it had directed the cancellation of the contracts, was held in conformity with the understanding reached at a conference held February 2, at which time the railroads said they were not prepared to say what they would do with the steamship contracts.

POWER BRAKE APPLIANCE INVESTIGATION

The Commission has initiated an investigation of power brakes and appliances for operating power brake systems, Docket No. 13528, and a hearing will be held at the office of the Commission on April 6, at 10 o'clock a. m.