

Doings of the Associations

Connecticut, State.

A regular quarterly meeting of the Connecticut Editorial association was held at Hartford, October 30th. The attendance was large and the session very interesting. After the meeting, on invitation of E. S. Ela, of the Manchester Herald, the editors went to Manchester, and inspected the Simplex typesetting machine works, and later one of the machines in operation in the Herald office. Mr. Ela entertained the visitors at dinner. The next meeting will be held in New Haven in January.

North Carolina, Democratic.

The democratic editors of this state met at Raleigh, October 17th, for organization. Though the attendance was not large, it was representative of the newspaper fraternity of North Carolina. A constitution and by-laws were adopted, and officers elected as follows: President, W. C. Dowd, Charlotte News; vice-presidents (one for each district)—C. L. Abernethy, Beaufort Herald; Chas. W. Gold, Wilson Times; E. J. Hale, Fayetteville Observer; J. A. Thomas, Louisburg Times; W. H. Thompson, Chapel Hill News; J. G. Boylin, Wadesboro Messenger and Intelligencer; A. D. Watts, Statesville Mascot; C. R. Hoey, Cleveland Star; M. L. Shipman, Hendersonville Hustler; secretary and treasurer, J. A. Robinson, Durham Star; orator, R. M. Furman.

Delegates to the National Editorial association convention were also chosen: Josephus Daniels, Raleigh News and Observer, and J. G. Boylin. Alternates, Clyde R. Hoey and Chas. W. Gold.

The constitution of the organization provides that "Persons and not papers, shall constitute the membership of the association, and each member shall have one vote." Another feature is the provision for a vice-president from each congressional district.

Texas, South and West.

Although this association met at Houston, October 13th, for its regular semi-annual convention, no business was transacted till the morning of the 14th, the previous day having been devoted to pleasuring. At the business meeting a resolution was adopted as follows: "That this association disapproves of the accepting of advertising from advertising concerns the contracts for which bear the semi-indorsement of the paper accepting said contract, and binds it from even an honest expression."

Another resolution, expressing the choice of the Texas editors in favor of Clarence Ousley, of the Galveston Tribune, for president of the state university, was offered and unanimously adopted.

Papers were read on "Laws Governing Newspapers," and "Politics in Journalism."

After the business meeting the members of the association were handsomely entertained by the people of Houston, and on the day following they visited the historic battleground of San Jacinto. As this trip was made by boat, the president was enabled to call a business meeting on the return trip, new members were elected, papers of interest read, and a program mapped out for the next meeting, which will be held at Yoakum.

W. L. Johnson, of the Yoakum Times, was elected secretary, in the place of W. A. Mair, resigned, and D. L. Beach, of the Gonzales Inquirer, was elected to the new office of second vice-president, created by an amendment to the constitution.

The following resolutions were adopted:—

"That it is the sense of this association that all state printing hereafter be

done in the state, and that this matter be carried to the legislative committee.

"That the secretary have printed 1,000 lists of the members of the association, to be used in sending out to foreign advertisers.

"That the Fruit, Flower and Vegetable Festival at Houston, and the San Antonio Fair are indorsed by this association as enterprises worthy of the support and encouragement of every member of this association.

"That there be printed in pamphlet form 300 copies of the proceedings of the Houston meeting, with constitution and by-laws and a revised list of members.

"That the paper printed by the secretary of this association be made the official organ of the association during the secretary's tenure of office."

At the next meeting, the date for which has not yet been determined, papers will be presented as follows: "The Subscription List," "Reminiscences of Texas Journalism," "How Best to Promote the Industrial Interests of Texas," "The Early Settlement of Texas, and Reminiscences of Frontier Life," "The Foreign Advertiser."

Michigan, Eastern.

This new organization held its first quarterly meeting in Detroit, October 6th. The attendance numbered more than twenty.

W. H. Marvin, of the Utica Sentinel, was active in effecting organization. In calling the meeting to order he said:—

"There are a great many ways in which concert of action among country newspaper publishers is advisable. We can compare rates for foreign advertising, and without any cast-iron rules arrive at a basis for right figuring. We can also, through such an association, get bottom figures on paper, ink, machinery and the other things we buy and use. We can collectively 'take in' such pleasure and other excursions as may be organized by rail or water, and thus at a small expenditure see some of the world, and collect information that even a country paper can turn to account."

The question of plate matter was brought up, and the best way to secure better and more appropriate subjects. The next meeting will be held in Detroit, the second Friday in January.

Indiana, Southern.

The twentieth semi-annual meeting of the Southern Indiana Press association was held at Jeffersonville, October 11th and 12th, about fifty members being present.

Delegates to the next convention of the National Editorial association were appointed as follows: John Johnson, Jr., Bedford Democrat; J. N. Marsh, Columbus Times; H. C. Chancellor, Bicknell Beacon; C. W. Thomas, Corydon Democrat. Alternates—R. Dailey, Jeffersonville News and Democrat; Devore Broy, Jeffersonville Courier-Journal; J. R. Simpson, Paoli News; C. M. Walden, Vevay Times.

At the close of the business meeting the editors joined in the flower parade, which was a very brilliant affair, and on the 13th the party visited Knoxville, Tenn.

Michigan, Republican.

On the 10th and 11th of October the Michigan Republican Newspaper association met at Owosso. Papers were presented as follows: "Plates," "The Press and the Campaign of 1900," "How Can the Press Maintain its Prestige and Influence?" "The Press and the Party—Are the Benefits Reciprocal?" "Editorial Column." There was also an impromptu speech by E. N. Dingley, of the Kalamazoo Telegraph, and a paper prepared for the occasion by Hon. Perry

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It was decided to hold two meetings next year to consider campaign matters, one at Charlevoix and the other at Kalamazoo.

The new officers are: President, Fred Slocum, Caro Advertiser; vice-president, J. N. McCall, Ithaca Herald; secretary, E. O. Dewey, Owosso Times; treasurer, Mrs. T. S. Applegate, Adrian Times.

Minor Notes of the Associations.

The Suburban Press association met in Boston, October 16th, and discussed several matters of unfinished business. About thirty members were present, including President Ernest H. Pierce.

At a special meeting of the Democratic Press association of Michigan, held at Lansing, November 1st, the question of establishing a daily and weekly state paper was discussed, but no definite action taken.

Members of the Hill County (Tex.) association met at Hillsboro October 9th. Several practical papers were discussed, particularly the subject of methods to increase the circulation of local newspapers. The next meeting will be held at Whitney, on December 11th.

The Massachusetts Press association held their second quarterly meeting in Boston, October 9th, President A. C. Dowse in the chair. Arrangements were discussed for the annual reunion, which will occur January 8th, and the whole matter was referred to the executive committee.

One hundred Georgia editors, members of the Georgia Press and Weekly Press associations, were present at the opening exercises of the state fair at Atlanta, October 18th. A joint meeting was held, but no business was transacted, the editors devoting themselves solely to the enjoyment of the fair.

The newspaper men composing that very active local association in New York state, the Madison County Publishers' association, at a meeting held in Oneida, September 29th, passed a resolution requesting their assemblyman to use his efforts to have repealed the law restricting the publication of citations to a single newspaper.

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