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ANNUAL MEETING
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DECEMBER 11 AND 12, 1913.

PURSUANT to a call duly issued, the Thirty-third Annual Meeting of the National Civil Service Reform League was held at Boston, Mass., the 11th and 12th of December, 1913. The following delegates from Civil Service Reform Associations and Auxiliaries were in attendance during the several sessions:

BUFFALO: Henry W. Sprague, Ansley Wilcox.

CHICAGO AND ILLINOIS: Samuel Dauchy.

CONNECTICUT: William A. Aiken, John C. Brinsmade, Charles G. Morris.

INDIANA: Joseph J. Daniels.

MARYLAND: Charles J. Bonaparte.

MARYLAND AUXILIARY: Mrs. E. Linden Mellus.

MASSACHUSETTS: Arthur H. Brooks, Richard H. Dana, Charles W. Eliot, Howard R. Guild, Theodore Hoague, Archibald M. Howe, G. Harvey Hull, William V. Kellen, James J. Myers, Samuel Y. Nash, Grenville H. Norcross, William Simes, Morrill Wyman, Jr.

MASSACHUSETTS AUXILIARY: Mrs. Richard C. Cabot, Mrs. Helen G. Gillman, Mrs. Lucia Ames Mead, Miss Marian C. Nichols, Miss Elizabeth C. Putnam, Miss Helen L. Reed, Mrs. A. S. Parker Weeks.

NEW JERSEY: Frederick N. Willson.

NEW YORK: Robt. W. Belcher, Roscoe C. E. Brown, Elliot H. Goodwin, Henry W. Hardon, George T. Keyes, William G. Low, Harry S. Ludlow, Harry W. Marsh, Samuel H. Ordway, Nelson S. Spencer, Hamilton B. Tompkins, Everett P. Wheeler.

NEW YORK AUXILIARY: Mrs. Everett P. Wheeler.

PENNSYLVANIA: Albert Smith Faught, R. Francis Wood, Clinton Rogers Woodruff.

In response to invitations issued by the League to

municipal reform associations and other bodies interested in the reform of the civil service, delegates were present from such organizations as follows:

BUFFALO CHAMBER OF COMMERCE: Ansley Wilcox.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA: Elliot H. Goodwin.

COOK COUNTY CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION: Robert Catherwood.

MASSACHUSETTS CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION: Elmer L. Curtis, Garrett H. Droppers, J. J. O'Reilly.

PHILADELPHIA CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION: Lewis H. Van Dusen.

PORTO RICAN CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION: Edmund Enright.

RUSKIN CLUB OF BOSTON: Miss Lilla E. Kelley.

THE NATIONAL SHORT BALLOT ORGANIZATION: H. S. Gilbertson.

UNITED STATES CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION: Hermon W. Craven, John T. Doyle, Charles M. Galloway, Edmund C. Stebbins.

MEETINGS OF THE LEAGUE.

The headquarters of the League during the meeting were at the Hotel Vendome, corner of Commonwealth avenue and Dartmouth street, Boston. The proceedings at the sessions of the League, commencing on the morning of December 11, were as follows:

FIRST SESSION

Hotel Vendome,

Thursday morning, December 11.

THE League convened at 11:00 a. m. President Eliot presided.

The minutes of the last Annual Meeting having been printed and distributed, their reading was omitted.

Mr. Henry W. Hardon read the report of the Council.¹

The following reports from Auxiliaries and Associations composing the League were then read:

Miss Marian C. Nichols submitted the report from the Women's Auxiliary of Massachusetts:

In 1901 when the National League last met in Boston the Massachusetts Auxiliary was in its infancy—not having completed its first year. At that time the Auxiliary numbered about 500 members; during the twelve intervening years it has more than doubled its enrollment, having attained a membership of 1150. Since our last report to the League we have lost 11 members by death and 28 by resignation, and have gained 120 new members. The increase is largely due to a meeting of the Boston Sewing Circle League, addressed by Mrs. R. C. Cabot and Mr. Charles Warren, which brought us nearly 40 new members, to the Milton Branch which made a gain of 45 members, and to the exertions of other of our Branches, especially those in Cambridge, Dedham, Springfield and Worcester.

In 1901 our first secretary, Miss Elizabeth Foster, conceived the ideal that every school child in the United

¹ Printed in full at page 57.