

At the Convention

Two delegates came to the Convention with tomahawks, looking for the editor of *The Freeman*—these were **Edith Siebenmann** of Chicago and **Elisabeth Breese** of Syracuse, N. Y. Both had had their names spelled wrong in recent issues of *The Freeman*. After much persuasion, they reluctantly agreed to lay aside their tomahawks and shake hands.

Some of the delegates came considerable distances; **Helen Denbigh** of Berkeley, Calif., hung up the record, but the **Lincoln** family from Phoenix were close seconds, and **Richard H. Cole** of Houston, Texas, next in line. Mr. Cole feels that it is rather illiterate of New Yorkers to pronounce Houston as if the Hous rhymed with Mouse. The Deep South was represented by **Edgar Bridge** of West Palm Beach and the prairie country by **Dr. Lydia Johnson** of Pierre, So. Dak.

The first meeting of the Lord High Office Boys of the Henry George School took place at the convention, attended by **Ed Ross** (Philadelphia), **Harold Power** (Boston), **John Monroe** (Chicago) with **Teresa McCarthy** (Newark) presiding. (It may not seem quite fair to classify Teresa as an office boy; she never looked lovelier than she did at the Convention.)

The Convention may have been dry in some respects, but the Scotch was on tap twenty-four hours a day in the pairson of **John Grrrrray** (Boston) who, despite forty years in Beantown, has not become Irish whatsoever.

Part of the Chicago delegation stayed over the week end. **Eileen Campbell** and **Edith Siebenmann** (no misspelling this time!) seemed to enjoy it, but **Henry L. T. Tideman**, director of the Chicago Extension, was impatient to get back to his job. We all do so love to be on the job, don't we?—especially when the boss is looking.

Nathan Hillman, Director of the Hartford Extension, couldn't come, but Hartford was represented by **James McNally** and **Ethel Stannard**. Mr. McNally had the privilege of presiding over the reading of a splendid paper on forestry by **Lawrance Rathbun** (Concord, N. H.).

Aram Bashian (Boston) thought some of the papers were too theoretical and visionary, while **Sanford Farkas** (Brookline, Mass.) thought the scientific aspect ought to be stressed more. Mix equal portions of each for an average. Boston did well for itself at the Convention—papers by **John R. Nichols** and **Reggie Zalles**, and more delegates than any other community outside the New York area. The fair sex was represented by **Grace Dahl** and **Isabel Klein**. **John Codman**, dean of the Boston School, was obviously proud of his group—with reason. And white-haired, smiling **Winthrop Upton**, of Boston's Statistical Department, won everybody's heart, especially that of the Assistant Editor of *The Freeman*.

Jerry Walsh (Montreal) arrived early—two days before the Convention started. He, too, started to win everybody with his charm; but now everyone in New York is sore at him, because he took **Margaret Bateman** back to Canada with him.

Next to Boston, Philadelphia had the largest representation—five delegates. They were **Olive Moore**, **Samuel L. Green** (not to be confused with our own **Lancaster Greene**) **Lester Jenks**, **Julian Hickok**, and, of course, **Ed Ross**. And there were more New Englanders—**Fred Horner** of Somerville, Mass., and **Mrs. F. A. Faust** of Woodbury, Conn. **Grace Colbron** registered from New Canaan, Conn., but she doesn't fool anybody; Grace is a citizen of the world. **Jean Lackey** registered from Delavan, Wis., but she didn't fool anybody either. Jean is our new globe-trotting Acting Assistant Director.

There were about two hundred delegates altogether. Most of them, of course, were from New York and New Jersey. We thought of them as part of the reception committee, rather than as guests. But among them was one of the Grand People of the Georgist movement—**Charlotte Schetter** of Northport, N. Y. We New Yorkers have a soft spot in our hearts for Miss Schetter, and were glad to see her in such good health and spirits.