

of both sides of the Dominion and Provincial Houses. Further it is generally conceded that the average man about town has no use for the system and often because such a system is in existence, it being the only way at present of enlisting men for the Outside Service, condemns the members of the service for being a party to the scheme. Lastly, everyone and all are aware that the Service itself has no earthly use for such a system. We come to this then. The public don't want it — the M.P.'s don't want it — and the Service itself don't want it. Who then does want it? — Why have we got it? What are we waiting for in order to place the Service on merit basis?

MUSINGS BY "HEB."

The convention is over, I was the chosen one from my branch and I would assure all would-be delegates that conventions, at least, Postal ones, are far from a joke. There are of course little diversions, which tend to enliven the proceedings and of these I intend writing.

I like ancient history, and the Regina boys used considerable foresight when they included in the programme, a trip to the Parliament buildings. We were conducted by a very obliging gentleman over the building, and in transit passed through the library, a very pretentious apartment. Everyone appeared to be very interested with the history of a certain table, at which we learned sat the Fathers of the Confederation. This caused me to think, a matter in itself worth recording, my mind wandered back to the council chamber wherein the sessions of the D. P. C. A. were being held and I thought how interesting it would be, hear in 100 years from now that "It was at this table where sat the Fathers of the D. P. C. A., amongst whom was the famous Fish and Chip theorist L. Pickup. In the course of business, of any business in fact, humorous things will happen, it was a very amusing and interesting moment when the member from Lethbridge strolled along with a proposition that we might with advantage bring our wives to these conventions. How awfully jolly, there are times when "we" are inclined to "get hot" on points of order, goodness only knows what might happen suppose we had to hop outside every little while to throw oil on troubled waters amongst our wives, and besides we could hardly expect the Regina City Council to provide a nursery as well as loan us the Council chamber.

We will now look over the branch notes — from Edmonton we find "Our orchestra is playing low" this is indeed refreshing,

I was afraid they had absconded through the keyhole, and strolled to Victoria which would account for the falling off in attendance at this office.

From this office also we learn that "Mac" is on his holidays, this savours of Ghunga Din.

Saskatoon impart the interesting information that their President has recently taken the marriage vows, I'm surprised Mr. Rossen, last time I saw you, — but I forget, your secretary explained the reason.

And this reminds me, talking of your secretary, I noticed the impression of the feet — on my boot tops — 'nuff said.

But the "plum" this issue goes to Vancouver, who we learn "Have a veritable chronicle of news to record, both grave and gay." The veritableness is appalling, if nothing else.

"HEB."

INTERNAL ORGANIZATION.

By reference to the convention report it will be noted that this year a new office has been instituted, viz., that of Organizing Secretary, and the reasons for this are twofold. In the first place it is intended to relieve the Secretary-Treasurer as much as possible of a vast amount of work and correspondence in connection with recruiting the Eastern offices, and secondly, it is because convention considered it essential that the association as it stands to-day should be better organized and all branches made to work more in co-operation with one another. This short article is intended to briefly deal with the latter question.

For some time past it has been felt in many quarters that branches do not know sufficient of the happenings and state of affairs existent in the other branches of the association. Further, it has been felt that a great deal of branch organization could be better accomplished by those outside the particular branch needing better organization. To this end, Mr. A. S. Black, of Vancouver, has been appointed Organizing Secretary and the Provincial Vice-Presidents are expected to co-operate with him in the work he intends to do. Those who are acquainted with Mr. Black-who, first as Treasurer, and last year as President, has always been a keenly alive association man, have no fears that his end of the work will be satisfactorily done, and the Vice-Presidents, one and all, have given convention their assurance that they are ready to do their bit. Neither the Organizing Secretary nor the Vice-Presidents can do a thing without the fullest co-operation of the branches themselves. In this instance, branches come