

Reorganization of State Departments.

One of the most important pieces of legislation passed by the General Assembly of 1922 is what is known as the Reorganization Bill. This Act provides for a complete reorganization of the various State departments. It started with a survey made of State departments by a group of experts employed by the Governor. The report made by the experts was submitted to a Commission appointed by the Governor for the purpose of framing a plan of reorganization for submission to the General Assembly. The plan adopted by the Commission was approved in the platform of the Democratic party, and the bill carrying the plan into effect was passed at the Session of 1922.

Another important piece of legislation passed as the result of the work of the Commission is what is known as the Fewer Elections Amendment. This amendment to the Constitution provides for holding all State and County elections once every four years. The amendment will be voted on at the election to be held in November, 1922.

The members of the Commission on Reorganization appointed by the Governor are as follows:

Chairman, Hon. N. Charles Burke, Baltimore County.

Secretary, Allan C. Girdwood, Baltimore County.

Baltimore City:

Dr. Florence Bamberger.

Robert Biggs, State Senator.

Carroll T. Bond, Associate Judge Supreme Bench of Baltimore City.

Henry F. Broening, President Baltimore Federation of Labor.

Mrs. Edward F. Buchner.

Mrs. Francis King Carey.

Charles P. Coady, formerly Congressman and State Senator.

Mrs. Sydney P. Cone, President Federation of Jewish Women.

Samuel K. Dennis, former United States District Attorney.

Mrs. Charles E. Ellicott, President Maryland League of Women Voters.

Eli Frank.

Dr. J. M. T. Finney.

George Arnold Frick, State Senator and former Member House of Delegates.

Frank A. Furst, President Arundel Corporation.

A. S. Goldsborough, Secretary Merchants and Manufacturers' Association.

B. Howell Griswold, Jr., President Board of Trade; Alexander Brown & Sons.

Henry D. Harlan, former Chief Judge Supreme Bench of Baltimore City.