

ROOT HEADS INSTITUTE

Chairman of Carnegie Trustees, Succeeding Billings.

PHILANTHROPIST AT MEETING

Mr. Carnegie, in Interview After Visit to White House, Declares Republicans Should Nominate Senator, Whom He Considers One of the Brainiest Men in America, for President.

Senator Elihu Root, former Secretary of State, yesterday was elected chairman of the board of trustees of the Carnegie Institute, of Washington. Andrew Carnegie, while not a member of the board, attended the meeting of the board at its headquarters, Sixteenth and P streets northwest.

Mr. Root takes the chair left vacant by Dr. Thomas S. Billings, former director of the New York Public Library. Henry White, former Ambassador to France, was elected to fill the vacancy created by Lyman Gage, who resigned. Dr. Simon Flexner, of the Rockefeller Institute, was elected a member of the executive committee.

Appropriation Is \$1,250,000.

The appropriation for continuing the work for the coming year is \$1,250,000.

Mr. and Mrs. Carnegie were hosts at a dinner in the red room of the Willard last night to the board of directors. The dinner is an annual affair following the meeting of the board of trustees.

Among the members of the board of directors who came to Washington to attend the meeting and the dinner were Dr. S. Weir Mitchell, of Philadelphia; H. P. Walcott, Martin Ryerson, C. L. Hutchinson, William Barclay Parsons, H. S. Pritchett, H. L. Higginson.

Mr. Carnegie spoke a few moments, as did several members of the board.

Business Outlook Bright, He Says.

Mr. Carnegie visited the White House yesterday to inquire after President Wilson's health. He talked at length with Secretary Tumulty about world peace, and went to the State Department later to pursue the subject with Secretary Bryan.

As he left the White House, Mr. Carnegie said he thought business conditions "are going to be better than ever" after the new legislation, which Congress has in hand is passed. He expressed his gratification at the award of the Nobel prize to Senator Root.

Wants Root for President.

"I think Senator Root is one of the wisest men in America," he said. "President Roosevelt said so, Lord Morely told me he thought so, and I believe the best thing the Republican convention could do would be to nominate him for President."

"If there were to be no convention, do you think he would be nominated at the primaries?" Mr. Carnegie was asked by one of his listeners.

"Well," Mr. Carnegie said, "so far as I'm concerned he would be."