

CONDUCTORS NOW OWN THE CITY

Governor and Mayor Bid Them Cordial Welcome to Portland.

PUBLIC RECEPTION GIVEN

Memphis, Cincinnati, Boston and New Orleans, Through Their Delegates, Struggle to Secure Next Convention.

Four thousand persons crowded the Marquam Grand Theater last night to witness the public reception to the Order of Railway Conductors. The building was crowded from pit to gal-



W. J. Maxwell, Grand Secretary and Treasurer.

lery, the stage wings were filled and the aisles were completely blocked. The theater was dressed in palms and roses and presented a beautiful appearance. It is estimated that there are more than 3500 strangers in the city attending the convention. Five special trains have arrived, carrying the delegates and their friends. Yesterday morning the registration of the delegates began, and was not completed until evening. Yesterday afternoon the Ladies' Auxiliary of Mount Hood Division, No. 51, entertained the delegates at the Elks Hall, but the real reception took place at the Marquam last night. The delegates were welcomed to Oregon by Governor Chamberlain, who, in a few witty remarks, made them and their friends feel at home and told them they might take anything in sight, and if they got caught he would be ready with a pardon. He was followed by Mayor George H. Williams, who welcomed the conductors and their wives to the City of Portland. Both speakers were loudly applauded.

Response to Welcome.

The addresses of welcome were responded to by Grand Chief Conductor E. E. Clark, who accepted the hospitality of the state and the city in the name of the order, and thereafter traced the development of the order during the last 20 years, showing what benefits the conductors themselves, the railroads and the public in general had received because of the organization. "Twenty years ago," he said, "had this many conductors come to Portland they would not have been told to take anything in sight; instead the Oregon people would have chained down Mount Hood and placed over it a guard of militia. Things have changed in these 20 years and the organization has been

conducted on such strict lines of discipline that much benefit has resulted to the members, their employers and the people of the country."

B. A. Worthington also addressed the assemblage, and was followed by Mrs. J. H. Moore, grand president of the Ladies' Auxiliary, who spoke of the work and development of that branch of the order. Tom Richardson, manager of the Portland Commercial Club, made a rousing address, introducing the visitors to Oregon's great resources, which he declared, were becoming better known through the railroads and the trainmen.

First Business Session.

The first business session of the convention was called to order by Grand Chief Conductor Clark at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon. A committee on credentials was appointed and all preliminaries were arranged for the actual work of the convention to begin today. Chief Conductor Clark made the opening address. The grand officers of the order, and there was some discussion at the outset on the proposition of holding the convention every three years instead of every two, but the proposition was not received favorably by the delegates and there was no legislation to that end.

Tonight the Commercial Club will receive the delegates and their friends at the clubhouse from until 11 o'clock. Music and short addresses will be on the programme and refreshments will be served. Thursday evening a large delegation of the visiting conductors will attend the meeting of the Elks Lodge. There are several hundred Elks among the visiting conductors and the local lodge reports were received, and there was some discussion at the outset on the proposition of holding the convention every three years instead of every two, but the proposition was not received favorably by the delegates and there was no legislation to that end.

Delegation of Southerners.

Though the real business of the convention has barely begun, there are already indications of a warm contest between several cities for the convention of 1907. Memphis, Cincinnati, Boston and New Orleans appear to be the leaders, and each of these cities has enthusiastic workers in the field. The train from Memphis on April 28, and the journey was made by easy stages, stops being made at several points en route. Attached to this train was the special car "California," carrying the entire delegation, which was composed as follows: B. T. Arthur and wife, J. Kammer and wife, Ed Dyer, wife and daughter; J. E. Powell and wife, J. R. Naylor, W. J. Buchanan, J. L. Durham and wife, Charles A. Graham and sons, B. F. Boydston and wife, W. H. Milton and wife, Mrs. A. F. Conkle, Mrs. F. C. Wood, Mrs. Gravis and daughter, J. S. Starling and wife, N. C. Nelson and wife, E. W. Moffatt, L. E. Dial and wife, A. L. Maury, F. P. DeVoe, M. S. Borgard, wife and sister; C. H. Latham and George W. Wright and wife.

Isaacs Must Stand Trial.

Chief of Police Hunt has practically completed his investigation relative to the allegations of graft of a policeman among Chinamen, and as soon as General Charles F. Beebe returns from a business trip out of town, the case will be laid before the police committee of the Executive Board. Policeman Isaacs, who has been connected with the alleged graft, will have to stand trial before the commission. Several witnesses are to be called, as Chief Hunt states he is determined that if any officer is guilty of wrongdoing, it will not be permitted to continue. It has been the policy of Chief Hunt not to suspend an officer unless very grave and most positive charges are made, and Isaacs is still at work.

Will Bring Four Excursions.

S. A. Hutchinson, of Chicago, manager of the tourist department of the Chicago & Northwestern, was in Portland yesterday to make arrangements for the quartering of four special excursions to be brought here during the months of June and July. Each excursion will fill a special train and will remain in Portland for some time before starting on the return to the East. Mr. Hutchinson left last night for San Francisco to make further arrangements in that city for his guests, as the excursions will return by way of the Southern route.

HOLDS SESSION TOO

Ladies' Auxiliary O. R. C. Has Interesting Programme.

IT PLANS FOR MUCH WORK

Delegates From New England, the South, the Middle West, San Francisco and the Sound Are in Attendance.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Order of Railway Conductors has opened headquarters at the Hotel Portland. There are about 130 delegates in the city to attend the auxiliary convention, and they spent yesterday forenoon in the hotel lobby, greeting each other and discussing coming legislation. The auxiliary will hold its convention in Elks' Hall, Marquam building, for three days, Grand President Mrs. J. H.



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Moore presiding. Officers will be elected and many important matters discussed and acted upon during the deliberations. There is a large Eastern delegation from Boston, and a large Southern delegation from Atlanta, Ga., while the principal cities of the East and Middle West are well represented. There are many delegates from the eastern part of Canada, and San Francisco and the Sound cities have sent their quota.

At 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, an open session of the auxiliary was held in Elks' Hall, at which the visiting conductors and their wives were entertained by an excellent programme. Addresses were made by Grand President Mrs. J. H. Moore, Mrs. A. F. Connors, grand vice-president; Mrs. P. C. Callahan, chairman of the executive committee, and Mrs. Sewell, secretary of the Portland division. Literary and musical numbers were rendered.

At 3 o'clock this morning the convention will be formally opened for business. The grand officers will make their reports tomorrow morning. "The sessions will be secret, and only duly accredited delegates admitted. That part of the proceedings which is to be made public will be given out by a specially appointed press committee. On Friday the election of officers will take place. So far there appears to be no apparent effort on the part of members for grand lodge positions, and it is doubtful if any opposition develops to the reelection of Mrs. Moore, the present grand president. The auxiliary, though it cannot vote on the subject, is also taking an enthusiastic part in the selection of the next convention city, and Memphis, Boston, New Orleans and Cincinnati are well represented by active workers. There has been some discussion about naming a permanent convention city centrally located, and this will be discussed by the auxiliary and by the O. R. C., the auxiliary to

report to the parent order its decision on the subject. Besides sharing in the entertainment provided for the conductors and their friends, the members of the auxiliary will also have special entertainments for themselves. Chinatown will be invaded during the stay of the visitors in Portland, the panorama of the Willamette Valley will be observed from Portland Heights and side trips will be made. A trip over the Columbia bar is also contemplated.

GIVEN HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Old German Bible of Luther's Time in Its Custody.

The Historical Society has been made the custodian of a German Lutheran Bible that is certainly not without its interesting features. It was printed at Wittenberg, Germany, in 1526, and bears upon its title page the impress of the name of Dr. Martin Luther, its author. The book was bought at an auction sale in Germany about two years ago by a young man named Jessen, and presented it to his brother, John Jessen, at present a resident of Portland, who brought it to America in 1904 and to Oregon this spring. It is bound in wood, fully one-half an inch thick, which in turn is covered with leather, and the latter, instead of being embossed, under the prevailing method, is entirely hand-tooled and heavy, hand-made brass clasps hold the covers together. All the binding is hand-sewed. The printing shows out as distinctly as if performed at a recent period, although the must of age is in evidence upon the leaves.

The society has also secured lately two sections of the first railway track ever built in Oregon, being a half-inch iron, one and three-quarters inches wide, and resembles ordinary wagon-tires. They were spiked down on the ties, and in this crude way all the freight coming up the Columbia river in the early days was transported over land between the two Cascades. The rails were presented to the society by J. A. Rockwood, a conductor on the D. R. & N., and were uncovered by the division of the work on the river incident to recession after the overflow this spring. Theodore A. Goffe, now residing in Portland, was the first engineer on the portage road between the upper and lower Cascades.

MOVE TO NEW QUARTERS

Government Offices Will Soon Go to Fifth and Morrison.

The old biscuit factory on Sixth and Ankeny streets will surely lose its governmental dignity by the first of the month, and will be partially vacated by the latter part of the coming week. Men are now at work packing up the papers and belongings of the Clerk of the United States Court's and of the United States Marshal's office, while preparations are being completed for the removal of the other offices as fast as place is made for them in the new building on Fifth and Morrison streets. The office of the United States District Attorney will perhaps be the first to be moved and it is possible that the change will be made during the latter part of the week and if not then during the early days of the week to follow.

It is the intention to fill the top floor of the new building first if possible, and in following out this plan the Marshal, the clerk, and the railway mail service department will be the first to make the change. The work at the new quarters is being rapidly finished and the carpets are now being laid on some of the offices, as soon as that work is done the first moves will be made. It is the intention to utilize part of the furniture now in use by the different offices, it having been removed when the building was vacated to be remodeled. In addition, however, a large quantity of new furniture has been ordered and will be put in place by the time the building is fully ready to be occupied.

Arrested for Trespass.

Charles A. Burckhardt, former Deputy Postmaster of Portland, was arrested yesterday in response to a request of the Sheriff in Columbia County. He filed \$250 bonds, and was released. Several months ago Burckhardt, while hunting in Columbia County, was arrested for trespass in shooting on other people's preserves. He promised to appear for trial whenever wanted, but did not do so, although summoned several times. If he fails to answer the charge in the future, the bond will be forfeited.

TICKET SCALPING UNDER A TABOO

Crusade Against the Practice Begun in Municipal Court.

FITZGERALD TAKES ACTION

Buying of Theater Tickets by Boys Leads to a Fight, and so the Matter Comes Before Judge Hogue.

CRUSADE AGAINST "SCALPING."

Municipal Judge Hogue and Deputy City Attorney Fitzgerald have started a crusade against the "scalping" of theater tickets. They propose to demand of the police, and especially of the license inspectors, that small boys be stopped from standing in line and buying up seats for agents, who sell them at advanced prices. Yesterday morning a crowd of boys, ranging in age from 10 to 15 years, called upon Deputy City Attorney Fitzgerald in the Municipal Court to have a quarrel settled. A fight had occurred on Morrison street, in front of the Marquam Theater, between the boys, over the buying of tickets for the "Red Feather." As a result, Mr. Fitzgerald placed complaints against Fred and Sam Goldberg, charging them with violation of the license ordinance and also with fighting with Abe Levith. The case will be heard before Judge Hogue this morning.

How Trouble Began.

Abe Levith, who claims he was employed by the Goldberg boys to purchase tickets at the Marquam for the "Red Feather," was also arrested and was arraigned on a charge of fighting. The Goldbergs were jointly arraigned with him on this charge. It was for the purpose of settling the trouble that arose on Morrison street, in front of the Marquam Theater yesterday morning that the boys came into the Municipal Court. They discussed the matter with Deputy City Attorney Fitzgerald, who decided to lodge the complaints. Four other lads, who sell newspapers and are eager to earn a few extra pennies at odd jobs, called with the others. Their complaint is that the Goldbergs employed them to get tickets, and then refused to pay them. They will be witnesses in the case today.

"I am tired of this thing of boys being allowed to line up in front of box offices and compelling the theater-going public to wait hours to get seats to good shows," said Mr. Fitzgerald to Judge Hogue. "I propose to prosecute vigorously every person that comes in here, charged with such an offense."

Annoyance to All.

"It has got so that respectable people, especially women, cannot have an opportunity to purchase seats for certain shows, because scores of boys remain up all night, or arrive early in the morning, and line up to await their

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BIG ROSE DISPLAY

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JUNE 3 THE DAY CHOSEN

Portland's Fairest Product Will Be Piled Mountain High at the Auditorium in the Exposition Grounds on That Occasion.

"Nearly every popular and pretty young lady in Sacramento regards even her dearest friends with a feeling of apprehension, all because of the Lewis and Clark Exposition," said L. E. Bounts, manager of the Sacramento Union, at the Imperial Hotel, last night. "They want to be one of 15 girls who will be sent to the Fair this summer entirely at our expense. You can hardly form an idea of the great enthusiasm that has been created among the pretty girls of the city."

"The 15 girls who get the most votes in a contest conducted by the Union will be sent to the Fair with a chaperon. With every year's subscription the girls obtain for us they get 1000 votes. As a result, some of our subscribers have paid as high as five years in advance. While we knew the contest would prove to be a success, we never anticipated the great interest that has been provoked."

"The girls who are confident of winning work from morning until night securing subscribers. Some of them canvass the different manufacturing establishments, and others attend the meetings of the fraternal organizations to get them interested in the contest. I think it would be safe to state that nearly every man in Sacramento has been approached many times by the young ladies in their endeavors to win out."

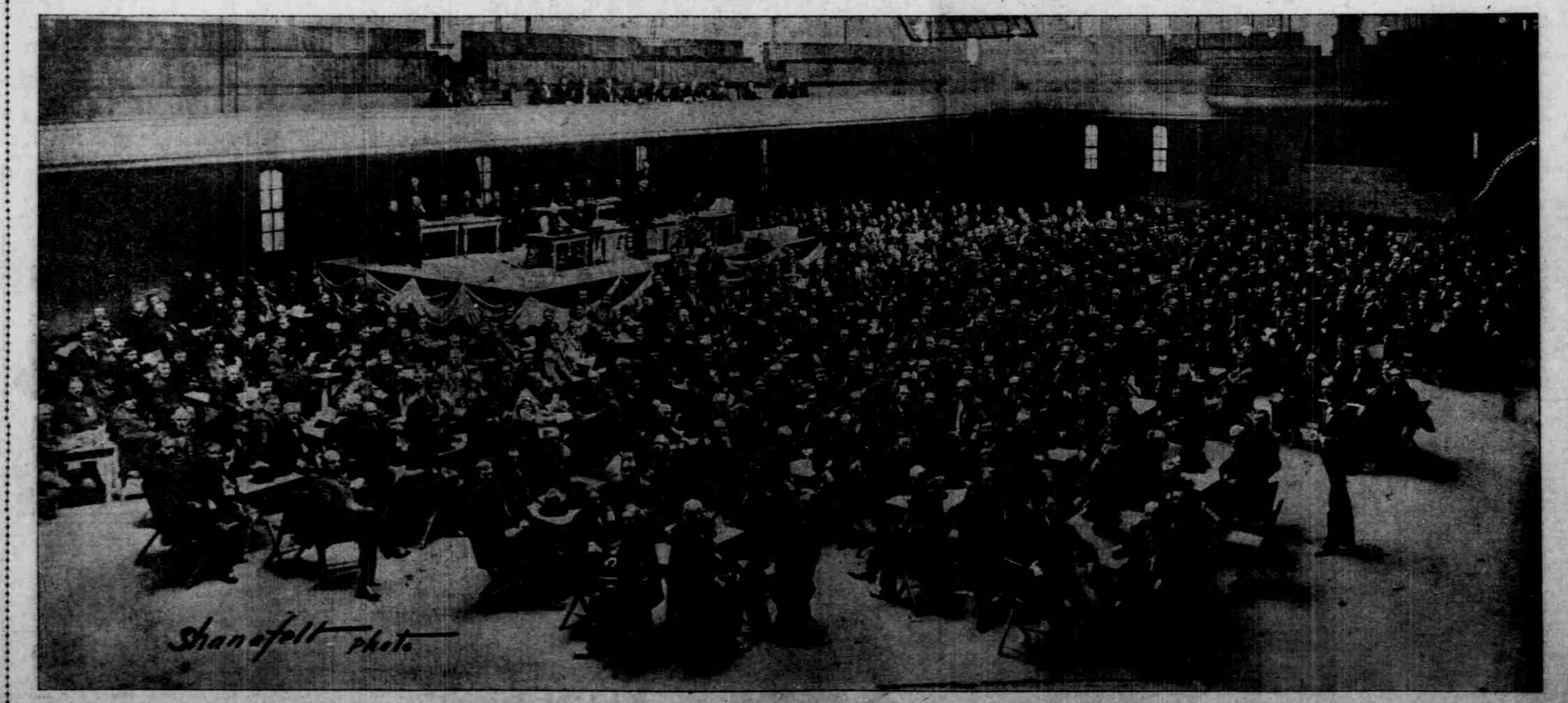
"The girls in the lead so far are all of the very best families. The girls who are striving for the election to the coveted trips have the privilege of voting for the lady who will accompany them on the trip. The party will spend a week at the Fair and will then visit the different places of interest in Portland and the vicinity. They will not have to spend even a cent."

"Since we have been conducting this contest we have been printing column after column about what the girls will see at the Lewis and Clark Exposition. As a result, we have the whole town aroused and interested. We will send the girls early, so that when they return they will have time to tell their neighbors of the wonderful sights they will have seen. We expect that fully 50 per cent of the population of Sacramento will attend the Exposition."

Jewish Tribune's Fine Number.

The second annual number of the Jewish Tribune, edited by Dr. N. Messersohn, has just come from the hands of the publishers. It is a handsome issue of 24 pages, beautiful in cover design and replete with readable articles by some of the men prominent in the Northwest as writers and thinkers. In addition to the local contributors are articles by men well known throughout the world as leaders of the Jewish faith. The edition, both as to typographical excellence and quality of content, is a distinct achievement for the publishers.

When you feel all tired out and broken up generally, take Hood's Sarsaparilla.



MEET IN ARMOYR HALL IN WHICH THE ORDER OF RAILWAY CONDUCTORS' CONVENTION IS HOLDING ITS SESSIONS.