

RAILWAY AGENTS' EXPOSITION

Ticket Men Conclude Session and See Sights of the Centennial.

OLD OFFICERS RE-ELECTED

Business of Convention Is Speedily Disposed Of and the Visitors Are Entertained by Commercial Club in Evening.

Addressing Chairman, F. E. Kerr, agent B. & O. Ry., Newark, O.

"The importance of the Railway Agent as Medium Through Which the Adverse Feeling Between the Public and the Railroads May Be Reversed." J. M. Hildgen, agent L. & N. Ry., St. Paul, Minn.

"Legislation and Its Effect on Car Service and Inspection." Dr. E. B. Hildgen, agent B. & O. Ry., Little Rock, Ark.

"Cost of Transferring Carload Freight." Traffic Transfers, Transfer Traffic, W. G. Clark, agent W. Ry. Association, Little Rock, Ark.

"Were Railroads to Award Prizes to Agents Upon Their Good Service, would the Benefits of the Public Be Greatly Increased?" E. B. Hildgen, agent B. & O. Ry., Little Rock, Ark.

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Prizes for Securing Members.

At the close of Mr. Dietz's paper, President Mills announced that last year the executive committee had announced that prizes would be given to the member who secured the largest number of applications for membership before the Portland convention. A canvass had been made, and it was announced that a diamond shirt stud would be the first prize, to be given to W. H. Cary, agent of the Frisco system, at Amory, Miss. There was considerable applause on this announcement, and Mr. Cary accepted his prize with a few well-chosen words of thanks.

The second prize of silver-mounted military decorations went to M. J. Fleming, Baltimore & Ohio representative at Terra Alta, W. Va. President Mills was in line for third prize, but withdrew his name, saying that he would be pleased to accept this prize, and I. D. Mumby, of Memphis, secured the pair of gold cuff links.

Immediately after the afternoon session, President Mills announced that, as there was no more business to be transacted, would not meet on Tuesday, but instead the sights of the Exposition would be seen. The visitors then had their photograph taken on the front steps of the American Inn.

Guests of Commercial Club.

Last night the members of the association and their wives were the guests of the Commercial Club at a brilliant reception in the clubrooms in the Chamber of Commerce building.

Tomorrow will be taken up with a trip to the seacoast over the Astoria & Columbia River Railway. Thursday morning the visitors will depart up the Columbia by boat as far as Bonnellville, or some other point, where they will be picked up by the Chicago-Portland special and taken East.

"We are having a fine convention, and the Fair is great," said President Mills yesterday afternoon. "We have members present from all principal cities, and have heard many interesting papers and discussions. I believe that the members of the association are enjoying the Exposition from all I can hear. We will take it all in tomorrow."

All the old officers of the association were re-elected yesterday. The officers are: President, W. H. Mills; agent L. & N. Ry., Newark, O.; first vice-president, W. E. Kerr, agent B. & O. Ry., Newark, O.; second vice-president, C. C. Goss, agent of Everett, Wash.; secretary, W. J. Cousins, of New Orleans; secretary, W. M. Drury, agent L. & N. Ry., Newark, N. J.; treasurer, J. E. Gray, agent of C. & St. L. Ry., Cambridge City, Ind.

The visitors are quartered at the Union Station on their special train of five sleepers, with two dining-cars and two baggage-cars.

The morning sessions will be held in the afternoon and in the afternoon the evening of the delegates were the guests of the Commercial Club.

It was at first supposed that the business sessions would continue for two days, but when it was learned that all important matters could be disposed of on Monday, those in charge of the program concluded that it would be better to clear off the slate and leave today free for sightseeing.

"We shall take in the Fair and do our best to keep out of jail," said President W. H. Mills yesterday. "The morning session was one of the most important in the history of the organization, and that members had come thousands of miles to be present."

President Mills, of Newark, O., called the convention to order, there being in the neighborhood of 300 persons present. Mr. Mills stated that the present session was one of the most important in the history of the organization, and that members had come thousands of miles to be present.

President Mills then introduced Colin H. McEacoch, chief of the excursion bureau, who represented President Goode, and welcomed the members of the association to the Fair. Mr. McEacoch made a short address, and then followed a report by C. C. Goss, agent of the Iron Mountain route at Little Rock, D. B. Gardner, division passenger agent of the Northern Pacific Railway, over whose road the excursionists traveled westward; W. C. McBride, of the Denver & Rio Grande; William A. Cox, of the Chicago & North Western; over whose road the excursionists will return east; and J. E. Van Dusen, of New York.

Address by Japanese.

A particularly interesting feature of the morning session was the appearance of Eitaro Sakuma, a representative of the Japanese government. Mr. Sakuma is traveling over the world in search of information regarding railroads in general and transportation matters in particular, and arrived in this country about ten days ago. He expressed his thanks to the convention for inviting him to be present and made a short address in English. He expressed his admiration for American railroad methods and hoped that many improvements would be introduced in his home country. He will soon leave for London and will return to Tokio in 1905.

The afternoon session began promptly at 2 o'clock. The meeting was devoted to the discussion of papers by various members of the association on important railway subjects. Some of the authors could not be present at the meeting and their papers were read by the secretary without discussion.

Title of Papers.

The titles of the various papers follow: "Need of Uniform Accounting Methods," G. F. Rummel, agent Burlington Route, Burlington, Iowa.

"Most Effective Means of Reducing Errors in Handling Less Than Carload Freight," E. F. Deer, agent Vandalla Railway, Effingham, Ill.

"Does the Railway Agent Receive the Recognition He Deserves Compared With Other Departments?" W. H. Cary, agent Frisco System, Amory, Miss.

"Increase in Tonnage Per Car," L. C. L. Merchandise, agent Frisco System, Amory, Miss.

"Decrease in Cost Per Ton," W. H. Little, Frisco, Ark.

"Most Practical Method for Handling and

HARRY MURPHY'S SKETCHES AT THE RAILROAD TICKET AGENTS' CONVENTION



SWANOMISH HAS A WEEK

CITIES OF WASHINGTON PLAN GOOD PROGRAMME.

Mrs. Walter Thornton, of Everett, is the Hostess for the Several Occasions.

This is Swanomish County week at the Washington building, and many large excursions are expected from the north-western part of the state. The building will be the scene of several interesting events between now and Saturday.

The opening of the week's festivities was held yesterday afternoon. Various state representatives met in the Washington building in an informal way to celebrate Interstate day. Mrs. Walter Thornton, of Everett, who is hostess for the week, received the visitors.

This afternoon Swanomish County clubwomen will hold informal receptions in the Washington building. Members of various organizations in Everett and other Swanomish County cities are in the city and will participate.

Wednesday will be Swanomish County day, and fitting exercises will be held in afternoon and evening. It is expected that fully 1000 people will be present from the county to participate in the ceremonies.

The afternoon programme will begin at 2 o'clock, and De Caprio's Administration band will furnish the music. Colonel Henry E. Doach, of the Exposition, will present President Goode, and will welcome the visitors in the name of the Lewis and Clark Centennial. The responses will be made by Dr. J. F. Mumford, of Everett, and the Mayors of the nine incorporated cities of the county. Mrs. Jeanne Houghton Edmunds will sing a soprano solo. Immediately after the exercises an informal reception will take place, and the visitors will take trolley rides around the city.

At 8:45 in the evening, an entertainment will be held in the Auditorium. Miss Lita Barnett will read several selections. Miss Muriel Curran will play the harp. Mrs. Edmunds will sing, and Miss Florence Chase will play the piano. There will also be stage-acting by several well-known young women from Everett.

Thursday will be an educational day, and appropriate exercises will be held. One of the features of the week will be an informal reception in the evening, at which representatives of various cities and counties of the state will be in attendance. Mrs. Thornton will be the hostess for the evening, was formerly a resident of Boston, and professor of oratory and physical culture at Cornell College, Iowa.

Friday will be Pioneer day and Saturday Everett day. A large excursion is expected from the Swanomish County metropolitan on that date.

Following is a list of the hostesses at the Washington building for the week—Swanomish County week: Mrs. W. M. Thornton, Everett, hostess in charge; Mrs. W. G. Swaitwell, Mrs. William Snyder, Mrs. O. R. Allen, Mrs. James Brady, Mrs. S. T. Smith, Mrs. Everett Robinson, Mrs. Guy Stryker, Mrs. John Warner Mrs. G. N. Jackson, Miss Muriel Curran, Miss Jean Catheline, Miss Lita Barnett, Miss Dorcas, Miss Vivian Swallow, Miss Effie Kern, Miss Vivian Swallow, Miss Vera Pendleton, Miss Abbie Sumner, Mrs. W. C. Cox, Mrs. Jennie H. Edmunds, Miss Florence Chase, Mrs. John Norman and Mrs. E. C. Ferguson.

The clubwomen of Everett, Wash., through Mrs. Max M. Shiblock, president of the New England Conservatory Musical Club of this city, have extended an invitation to the club to meet with them at the reception in the Washington building from 1 to 5 o'clock this afternoon.

Montana Week at Fair.

Montana cities are sending excursion parties to the Lewis and Clark Exposition this week, which has been officially designated as Montana week. An effort was made to run several special trains, but the necessary arrangements could not be made with the railroad companies, which are carrying capacity loads every day, and accordingly, special coaches attached to the regular trains will bring the Montana visitors.

Yesterday was Anaconda day, but very few representatives of that city were in hand, and no exercises were held. Word has been received, however, that more than 1000 special tickets had been sold up

VALIDATION OF TRIP TICKETS

HOW IT IS ACCOMPLISHED AT UNION DEPOT.

Work Required as Result of Heavy Travel to the Lewis and Clark Exposition.

To travelers from Eastern States and from all of the country outside of Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana, the joint agency in charge of the validation office of the Transcontinental Passenger Association at the Union Depot is a very important personage. Under regulations of the association, tickets issued on account of the Lewis and Clark Exposition are to be validated for the return trip at either Portland, Tacoma, Seattle, Victoria, B. C., San Francisco or Los Angeles, either selected by purchaser at time of buying ticket. It is not necessary for holders to deposit these tickets for stopover until after validation, for which they must be presented on the day the passenger is to depart on the return trip. Stopovers thereafter are secured by depositing the return portion of the ticket at points where stops are made.

Considering the distance from large centers of population where interstate business originates, indications are that the number of tickets sold on account of the Exposition will be considerable. No local tickets sold in ferriery within a radius of 50 miles of Portland are included, hence the figures, when compiled at the end of the Fair period, will tell an interesting story of the interest aroused in the North Pacific Coast region throughout the land. As a validation fee of 50 cents is charged for each ticket validated, expense of maintaining offices of ticket-holders covered by receipts from that source.

In addition to handling the interim ticket, the joint agency has authority for extension of limit on local tickets sold prior to, or during, the Interstate period, and collecting from the holder the difference in fares changed for the two forms.

During the World's Fair at St. Louis, 1,662,728 tickets were validated, 44,714 deposited for stop-over privileges, 13,126 deposited for extension of limit, 754 tickets transferred by the purchasers were lifted, and the balance of 1,600,000 tickets were derived from extension of tickets here. Tickets lifted and secured through operation of the courts totaled a value of \$1,100,000. Tickets to be secured through operation of the courts, except possibly at Buffalo, have the railroads had to contend with such bold attempts at negotiation of non-transferable transportation. Dry goods boxes were set in alleys and in vacant spaces between buildings, and bartering in tickets done, hundreds of people being induced to deposit their tickets in such alleged offices for safe-keeping or for validation. There was an evident effort to operate at Portland, and early action secured from the Legislature and city government made it an unprofitable thing to attempt to operate here.

It is the aim of the bureau to spare validation as simple as possible and still maintain such watchful care as will prevent imposition on the railroads. Three clerks are on duty during the entire day at a special counter arranged for their convenience at the Union Depot, which serves as an information bureau of great value to the public, and holders of tickets are instructed as to the necessary action with the least possible demand upon the validating agent.

Nebraska Society to Meet.

The Nebraska Society will meet tonight in the Chamber of Commerce building. Plans are being made for a day at the Fair in September.

Nebraska Exhibit.

Free moving picture exhibitions. Nebraska Pavilion, Agricultural Palace.

REVENUE CUTTER WILL SAIL FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

Reception to Exposition Officials and Governor Series Today and Departure Tomorrow.

President Goode, of the Lewis and Clark Exposition, received a communication from Captain J. C. Cantwell, commanding the U. S. S. McCulloch, informing him of the fact that orders had been received from Washington for the vessel to return to San Francisco.

The announcement was received with surprise and regret by the Exposition officials, who confidently hoped the McCulloch would be left at Portland until the closing of the Fair, and the hundreds of friends of the genial commander of the ship and his staff of officers in this city will regret the sailing. The vessel will be accompanied by President Goode last evening.

"Since arriving in port, the McCulloch has been open to the public every day from 9 A. M. until 4 P. M., and of the thousands of visitors who went on board there has not been heard one complaint of impoliteness or lack of attention shown them by the officers and crew of the vessel. It speaks in volume for the efficiency of the revenue cutter service to chronicle the fact that while in port and on leave every day during their stay here not a single member of the crew of the McCulloch has been intoxicated or disorderly on our streets. On the contrary, on all sides the comment has been universal that no smarter, cleaner or better-behaved seamen ever were seen anywhere."

President Goode and some of the Exposition officials will visit the McCulloch today at 10 o'clock, with Governor Series, and after a honeymoon, which they will spend in California, they will return to Seattle and make their residence in one of the prettiest homes in the Puget Sound city. Mr. Goldie is the Coast agent for Kahu Bros., of New York. The news of Mr. Goldie's marriage will be a great surprise to his many friends, who were firmly convinced that he was a confirmed bachelor.

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One Thing Food Can't Do.

Food can't exactly paint a picture, but prop food to restore the daily wear and tear on brain and nerves as well as body can help. A successful artist says: "I had been troubled with dyspepsia for 15 years and my system was so run down I was so weak and miserable life was a burden to me until I made a great discovery about food."

"I am an artist by profession, and at that time was painting a large marine piece, but being in such poor health I could not do justice to it, and no matter how often I changed it there seemed always something wrong. Success lay just out of my reach, because I did not have the strength and vigor of brain as well as bodily strength to accomplish what I knew lay within me."

"Looking around me for help, I decided to try a food I had heard so much about to see what the way I was led to use Grape-Nuts, and it came at the right time. I had hardly given it a fair trial before I began to feel so much better, my dyspepsia disappeared and I commenced to feel stronger and more vigorous all over, head and all, and it was not long before I was back at my work again with renewed energy and interest. There was a substantial proof of the speaker of the day, Governor Series. Address will be made by Senator McCumber, Congressman Gronow, Dr. H. W. Cook and Congressman Marshall. Mrs. Ella Caldwell Axtell will render a vocal solo, and Sig. A. Libbert will play a cornet solo. Following the exercises an informal reception will be held in honor of Governor and Mrs. Series."

GOULIE-YOUNG WEDDING.

Joe Goldie, one of the best-known traveling men on the Coast, was married yesterday at the Hotel Oregon to Miss Tracy Young, one of Seattle's young society belles. The wedding was a quiet affair, and although Mr. Goldie has a host of friends in the city, only Mr. and Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. Goldie will spend several days in Portland visiting the Exposition, and after a honeymoon, which they will spend in California, they will return to Seattle and make their residence in one of the prettiest homes in the Puget Sound city. Mr. Goldie is the Coast agent for Kahu Bros., of New York. The news of Mr. Goldie's marriage will be a great surprise to his many friends, who were firmly convinced that he was a confirmed bachelor.

IT IS NORTH DAKOTA DAY

FINE PROGRAMME ARRANGED FOR OCCASION.

Governor Series and Other Distinguished Visitors Will Participate in the Exercises.

Today is North Dakota day at the Lewis and Clark Exposition. From the rolling plains of that fertile state a train-load of enthusiastic natives drew into Portland early yesterday morning to make today an occasion of as much importance as it should be. The excursion is headed by Governor E. F. Series and 50 prominent Dakotans and their families. They spent yesterday at the Exposition and about the city, and today will put in all their time at the Fair. There is not a moment of the day when visitors will not be duly aware that North Dakota has the center of the stage.

All yesterday a force of skillful decorators were busy in the North Dakota booth, which occupies the entire north end of the Agricultural Palace. Last evening there was no more attractive scene at the Exposition. Provision was made for the seating of 500 at today's exercises, which will begin at 2 P. M.

The official party was entertained yesterday by Mrs. Series at the Exposition. Luncheon was served in the new York building at 1 o'clock, and at the conclusion of this delightful affair a trip was made to the various points of interest about the Exposition. Many of the party remained at the Fair until late in the evening.

Today's exercises will open with a session by the Liberator Band. Dr. E. L. House will pronounce invocation, and Exposition President Goode will deliver an address of welcome on behalf of the Exposition. Response will be made by the speaker of the day, Governor Series. Address will be made by Senator McCumber, Congressman Gronow, Dr. H. W. Cook and Congressman Marshall. Mrs. Ella Caldwell Axtell will render a vocal solo, and Sig. A. Libbert will play a cornet solo. Following the exercises an informal reception will be held in honor of Governor and Mrs. Series.

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