

RIVER FLEET TAKES ELKS ON EXCURSION

Score of Vessels Give Lodge Members Scenic Trip on Mighty Streams.

DECK DANCES POPULAR

Impromptu Choruses Add Zest to Trip Five Miles Up Columbia and Ragtime Swaying Harmonicae With Rolling of Craft.

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docks, the sawmills, flour mills and the forest scenery of the West Side, reaching the mouth of the river in what seemed to be a remarkably short time. Pointing their noses upstream the fleet scooped up through the draw of the Columbia River railroad bridge, skirted the docks at Vancouver and proceeded eastward about five miles.

As the boats passed Vancouver hundreds of people lined the banks and cheered. The band of the barracks was out and helped the bands on the boats to fill the air with lively music. Ragtime music had the usual effect on the feet of the excursionists and it was not long after the band began to play "Everybody's Doin' It" that the decks were surging with "Texas Tommy" dancing.

Man Falls Overboard.

In the midst of the hilarity everybody on the fleet was aroused by the cry "Man overboard." Looking into the water the 6000 Elks saw a man battling with the waves near the revolving wheel of the steamer Tahoma. He apparently was a good swimmer and fought desperately against the current which seemed to be trying to drag him into the roaring torrent about the wheel. The machinery was stopped suddenly and the man swam away from the Tahoma apparently nearly exhausted. He was rescued by a life-line sent out by the crew of the steamer Tahoma and was later returned to the Tahoma, where he was given a cabin and soon dried out. He refused to give his name to the officers of the boat or others, declaring that he was all right and there was no occasion for any record being made of the affair.

He fell off the lower deck of the boat in a manner which could not be explained unless it was that he slipped on something. If it had not been for his ability to swim he probably would have drowned before any of the boats could have reached him because of the fact that the river was filled with roaring waves from the wheels of the numerous boats. When the boats arrived back in Portland and the crowds walked off the Tahoma they gave three cheers "for the man overboard."

Bands Play Dance Music.

Arriving at a point about five miles above Vancouver the leading boat tooted its whistle as a signal for all to turn around and proceed back to Portland, it being the desire of those who ran the excursion to get the party back to the city about 5:20 o'clock. The trip back was marked by much pleasure, the bands furnishing lively dance music and the crowds enjoying the beautiful forest and mountain scenery to the fullest extent.

The monarch led the procession back and arrived in the harbor at exactly 5:20. The others pushed their prows into the harbor and whistled their way through to their respective docks at intervals of about two or three minutes.

A large number of the Elks who had planned to take the trip were late in arriving at the docks and missed the main fleet. They were taken for trips up and down the river in launches. The excursion was one of the most pleasant events of the convention, and everyone who attended enjoyed the numerous features, even to the "man overboard" incident.

COMPANY DENIES NEGLIGENCE

Oregon Electric Official Says Suburban Service Was Sufficient.

That the Oregon Electric failed to accommodate the demands of patrons between Garden Home and Portland Thursday is denied by C. A. Coolidge, general manager of the company. Mr. Coolidge said yesterday that ample train service was provided to take care of all persons living along the line.

"The Forest Grove train referred to in an article this morning, did not stop to pick up passengers this side of Garden Home," said Mr. Coolidge, "for the reason that it was loaded to capacity when it reached that point. But the second section of the Albany Limited, which followed the Forest Grove train 20 minutes, arrived in Portland with passengers. This train had three cars and had a seating capacity of 150 people. There was, therefore, 86 vacant seats on its arrival.

"This train made all local stops between Garden Home and Portland, including Capitol Hill, for the purpose of picking up those who were unable to take passage on the Forest Grove train."

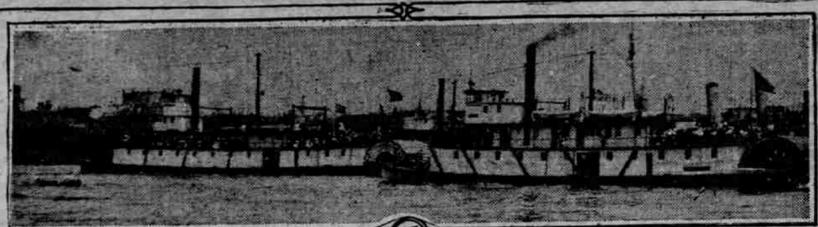
OREGON OCTOPUS IS HELD

Giant Fish Will Be Preserved for Field Museum, Chicago.

MARSHFIELD, Or., July 12.—(Special.)—An enormous octopus, which was recently captured off Coos Bay is being kept in cold storage and will later be preserved for the Field Museum in Chicago. Several large specimens have been taken lately by the fishermen but the last one, which was taken by Captain Peter Scott, was the largest that has been landed here. It has been turned over to Dr. W. Hayden, who has put it in the cold storage plant where it will be kept until the museum has given instructions as to how it is to be preserved.

Dr. Hayden has sent a number of valuable scientific specimens of different kinds to the museum. Last year Hinton Smith, one of the experts with the Field Museum, spent some time in this locality gathering information and photographs relative to this part of Oregon and Mr. Smith is expected here again this summer to continue his researches.

SNAPSHOTS OF RIVER EXCURSION FOR ELKS ON WILLAMETTE AND COLUMBIA RIVERS.



1. RIVER PROCESSION MOVING INTO THE LOWER HARBOR.—2. STEAMERS BEING LOADED WITH HAPPY ELKS AT THE DOCKS.—3. EXCURSIONISTS ENJOYING THE COOLNESS OF A WILLAMETTE RIVER BREEZE.—4. EAGER ONES WAITING THEIR TURN FOR A PLACE ON THE BOAT.

VISITORS GIVE OPINIONS

Interviews With Some Guests Within Portland's Gates.

BEAUTIFUL climate, hospitable people, a busy thriving city, wonderful scenery, luxuriously finished and fitted buildings, above all prosperity and commercial solidity. Such were some of the terms used by delegates who gave their opinions on the city before leaving. They are opinions which one and all assert will not change with the change in locality of the speakers, and there was a sincerity and an honesty apparent in the remarks of all which is somehow or other absent from the speech of the man who says nice things because he thinks people will like them.

J. C. Sawyer, exalted ruler of the J. Michigan City lodge, was determined to get his impressions down correctly, for he insisted on writing them. Here they are: "Portland is one of the most beautiful cities I have ever visited. The entertainment furnished by the Elks, and in fact by every citizen was the greatest ever, and all were perpetually looking after the welfare of the visitors. The grand lodge certainly showed good judgment in selecting your city."

THE advancement of the city and its marvelous growth were the especially striking features in the opinion of C. E. L. Thomas, of Calumet, Mich., who was last here for the Lewis and Clark Exposition. "No city of the size of Portland has such fine build-

ings, while the abundance of hotels almost forces one to ask how they manage to thrive under normal conditions. It merely proves what solid wealth there must be in the city."

WALTER GILDMAN, of New Orleans, private secretary to John P. Sullivan, said that in future convention cities would have to follow the lead of Portland. "Nothing was left undone. That electrical parade of yours beat anything I have seen. It has the Mardi Gras beaten, lengthwise. What is more, aside from the convention, the substantiality of this beautiful city appeals to me. One has only to look at the buildings and the lavish manner in which they are furnished to perceive the wealth of money and the business prosperity in the city."

FRED C. ROBINSON, grand secretary, who was here last December, admitted his skepticism when told them of the roses he would find in bloom. "I must admit now that not only have we found everything as we were told, but we found it better. We did not overestimate the beauties of the place or the number of roses we should find. I was here two years ago and the strides that the city has made since then are more than remarkable, they are exceptional. What is more I have been all over the States since then, and I have no hesitation in saying that all cities with a population the same

as Portland must fade away in comparison."

PORTLANDERS will be glad that Edwin M. Ames, of Altoona, Pa., was able to make the trip here when they read his words of commendation: "The most striking feature to me is the busy, bustling spirit that prevails, even in Elks' week. The people here are most open-hearted, open-handed. The city is one of great substantiality, the best test of that being the fine buildings already standing and the size of those in course of erection. I wrote my wife yesterday that I am inlucinated with the place and the people."

THE beauties of the climate here received especial commendation from John Kehlor, ex-Mayor of Kenosha, Wis., who has attended no less than 15 grand lodge sessions. "This is the first convention I have ever attended where the weather was fit to hold it, let alone as lovely as it has been all this week. The hospitality handed to us by our Western brothers and the perfect handling of each and every detail down to the most minute will not be equalled for a long time."

L. C. FORD, of Albany, Ga., past exalted ruler, was most amusing. Whether he really did expect to see the conditions he speaks of or not must be left to the individual to judge. The conditions he found seem to have pleased him immensely. "I have been to New York City more than once in my life, and I had always considered it the greatest city in the world till this week. When I left home I told my wife that I expected to see men walking down the streets with a bag of gold in the one hand and a revolver in the other, with lynching going on

at every other corner at least once a day. What do I find? One of the finest, most advanced and most prosperous cities in all America. Of course," he added, "I was only joking, about the first part of what I said. The opinions of many friends of mine 'way back East, who seem to think that those dear old conditions still obtain in the Far West."

"THE prettiest place, the nicest people. Why, everybody is leaving here with a good word in their mouths," said G. W. S. Howell, of Texas, one of the grand lodge delegates, and known all over his state as the "Long Horn." Mr. Howell had other nice things to say about the way the Elks have been entertained here, but as he remarked, "I've said that so often, that everybody must have heard it by now from my lips, as well as experienced it for themselves."

JOHN W. MILAM, of Frankfort, Ky., said he was merely quoting the general impression of everyone from the East when he said that the striking feature of this city was her push and rush and activity. "The decorations alone show a spirit of hospitality unsurpassed by any city in whatever part of the States you may mention, while the number of automobiles speaks for the commercial soundness of this leading Western city and beauty spot combined."

BY THIS time everybody knows George N. Henry, of Ohio, if only from his Elk tooth coat, but they may not know that he has been to every grand lodge convention for the last 19 years. This is what he says of the most recent convention city in comparison with all others: "I have never had a better reception. That does not mean myself personally. From the number of interruptions, however, by men and women who just wanted to give him the glad hand it was perfectly evident that his gentleness and generosity had won for him a great place in the hearts of Portland people. "I have not heard a single 'kick' on any single point from any single or married Elk. What is more, they are all as captivated with your city as I am. Some of them have had the time to go closely into the business conditions obtaining here. They told me, notice that this is not what they may have said to any Portland person, but to me, another outsider, that for prosperity and sound business conditions especially during this year Portland 'looks good to them.'"

"ALL Elkdom of Tacoma will unite in giving Portland praise for the grandest reception ever accorded a lodge in the history of the world," Tacoma headquarters yesterday. "There are 174 of us and that entire 174 goes away with the idea tucked away under their hats that the Rose City has not only done credit to herself but to the entire Pacific Coast."

"That there should be a city in the Northwest that out-conventions the regular convention cities of the East has been a source of wonder, not only to Easterners but to Portland's neighbors also."

W. M. BRYAN, of Dowagiac, Mich., president of the Michigan State Association of Elks, and district deputy for West Michigan, was just long to say something. "I had always heard a lot about Portland people and their hospitality, and possibly when I came here I was afraid things might not be as fine as I had expected, but I tell you in all seriousness, that the city has far surpassed anything I had ever imagined. The entertainment was on an auspicious scale, and the hospitality offered not only by Elks but by everybody in this City of Roses has been remarkable."

PORTLAND'S showing at this convention will spur those Eastern fellows to take the bride off or bring every big Elk meeting to the Pacific Coast," declared W. S. Goudy, of Medford, who has attended every convention in 20 years. "Before this the Los Angeles meet has always been held up to aspirants as a criterion, but Portland has far surpassed anything the Californians put on. She has proved her superiority over the much-vaunted southern cities and every other town that has entertained the Elks."

"There has been no graft, no exorbitant rates and we have been really entertained more than at any other place. This is the most wonderful thing about it—the spirit that all Portland, and not Elks alone, has shown."

"YOUR beautiful residences are a great surprise to me," said W. F. Hurtgen, from La Crosse, Wis., who is both past and present exalted ruler of his lodge. "This is a city of beauty coupled with business, a combination which is not often seen. It is so far ahead of Eastern towns with far larger population that there is no room for comparison. If I had my way all Elks' conventions would be held in the West. The hotels are excellent and more numerous than I should have imagined, while the way the Elks committee handled the arrangements and the crowd was perfect."

BAPTIST CONVENTION HELD

Second Day of Young People's Meeting is Well Attended.

The second day of the Baptist young people's convention was well attended. Delegates are enrolled from Montana, Arizona, California, Oregon and Washington. Prominent speakers have participated in the exercises, among them being E. T. Davis, of Chicago, National purity evangelist of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, the founder and president of the Correspondence School of the Christian Scientific Eugenic. She is a very rapid speaker and holds her audience spellbound. The second address of the convention was by Rev. James W. Kramer, D. D., of Spokane.

W. P. King conducted the "Quiet Hour" and special music was rendered by the ladies' quartet of the Highland Baptist Church. During the day addresses were delivered by Dr. C. M. Hill, of Berkeley, Cal.; Miss Ruby Weyburn, Mrs. Emily Banks, Rev. A. Y. Wadsworth, of South Pasadena; M. G. Evans, Rev. F. W. Wightman, Professor Boughton, of McMinnville College; Dr. Charles A. Cook, of Spokane, and Dr. J. D. Spurgeon, of Portland. The programme for today is as follows: Morning—9:30, quiet hour, Mrs. Besse Cook, Elks' Endeavor; 10:30, Study in Immortality; Rev. C. M. Hill, D. D., Berkeley; business; award of banners; election; prayer meeting and conference; Rev. M. L. Thompson, D. D., round table and discussion; Rev. J. D. Spurgeon, Tacoma.

Evening—8:30, banquet at the Y. M. C. A. Tosses, general topic, "New Ideals," (1) "In Christian Endeavor," Rev. L. N. Monroe, Portland; guest, Obadiah Guin, Everett A. Knott; (2) "In International Work," Rev. Duncan M. McPhail, Portland; reading, Mrs. H. W. Wynn Jones; (3) In Social Service, Rev. Carl Williams, Globe, Ariz.

CITY SUED FOR \$408,000

Robert Wakefield & Co. Would Recover on Tabor Reservoir.

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PARADE NUISANCE IS HELD Man Who Cut Ropes During Elks' Pageant Must Break Rock. Severe warning was administered to hoodlums who interfered with the police lines at parades, when in Municipal Court yesterday Joseph Furie was sentenced to the rockpile for ten days, for cutting a rope stretched along the street. The arrest was made by Patrolmen Maas, Ennis and McMichael, after they had seen Furie slash the rope as necessary to handle him severely. More than one conviction of the police is involved in the case, because only keep a clear way for the parades, but often are a material factor in preventing injury and even in saving the officers, because of the effect it is expected to have in future celebrations.

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