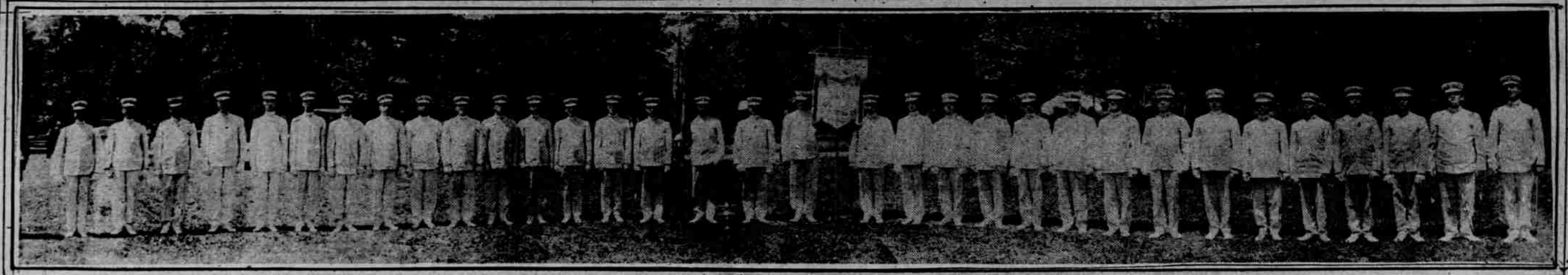
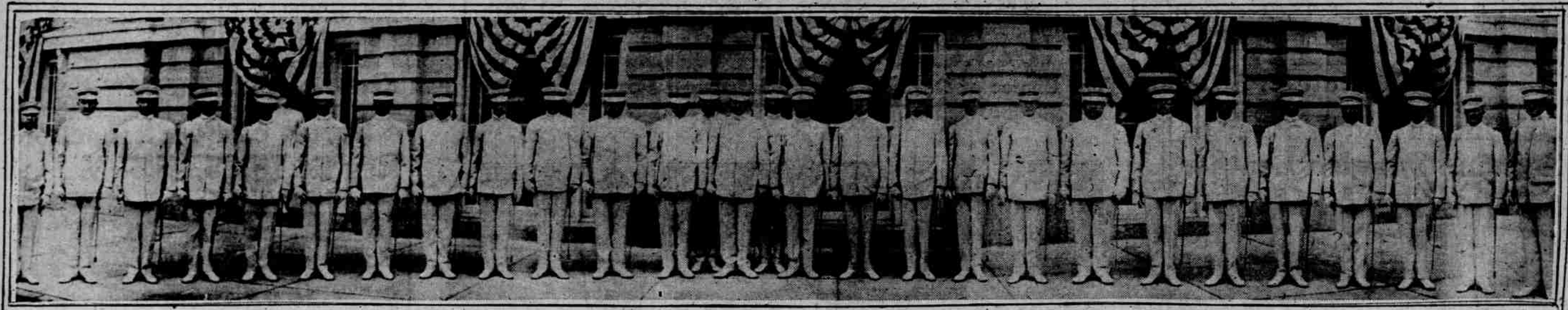


ELKS TO GIVE PORTLAND TEN DAY WHIRL OF REAL FUN

Delegates to Grand Lodge Pouring Into Portland From All Sides—City of Roses to Extend Royal Welcome to Visitors.

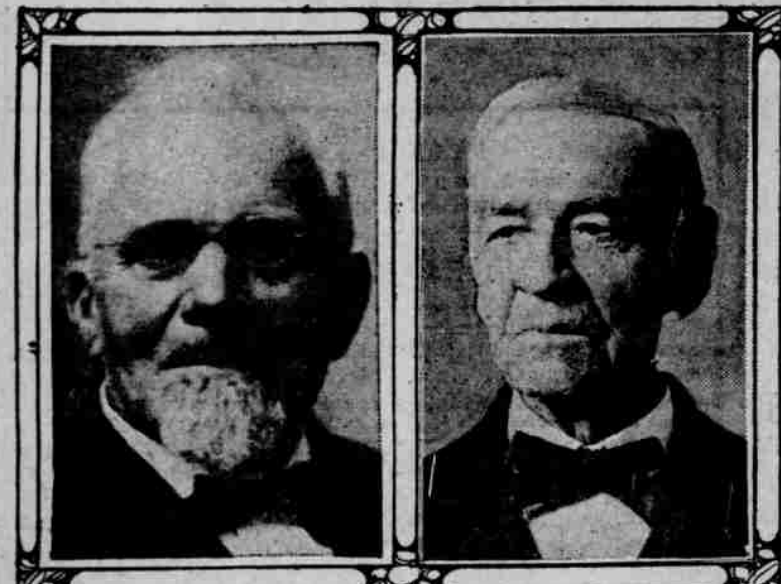


White Squadron of Los Angeles Lodge Which Will Compete in Competitive Drill Contests and Participate in Parade Thursday July 11th



Drill Team of Denver Lodge Organized to Come to Portland Reunion

LEFT TO RIGHT—R. A. KINCAID (CAPTAIN), W. KEMPTON, R. C. SMITH, F. WALTERS, J. MANGINI, F. SCHULTZ, W. M. KERIN, R. D. COWELL, W. WILLIAMS, F. SHERER, T. F. WALSH, F. A. AUSTIN, G. R. CHAPMAN, M. L. ANFINGER, J. J. SULLIVAN (SECOND LIEUTENANT), L. R. RUST, R. C. HUGHES, J. APP, A. LYNN, GEORGE ORR, J. BUCKNAM, GEORGE STRAWN, W. E. TAYLOR, A. V. PERRY, H. J. DONEHUE, F. S. DONEHUE, H. G. GOODHEART, B. C. REEVES (FIRST LIEUTENANT)



F. X. Matthieu, Aged 95, Salem Lodge, Confederate for Oldest Elk Prize



Chas. E. Pickett, Waterloo, Ia.



Joseph G. Fanning, Indianapolis, Ind.



William J. O'Brien Jr., Baltimore, Md.



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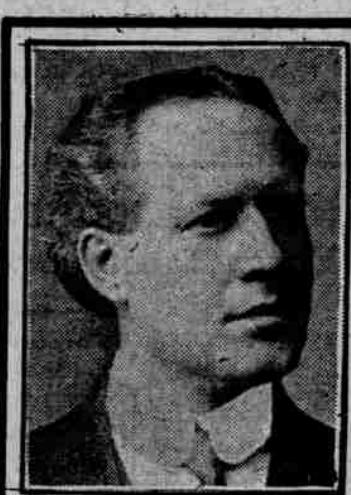
Henry A. Melvin, Oakland, Cal.



Ross W. Fishburn, Fishburn, Cal., Popular Elk Songs



John K. Tener, Charleston, Pa.



Rush S. Holland, Colorado Springs, Col.



J. U. Sammis, Le Mars, Ia.



August Herman, Cincinnati, Ohio

FOURTH of July in Portland this year will usher in the informal festivities in connection with the 48th annual Grand Lodge session of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, which begins its formal meetings in Portland on Monday, July 8.

Fourth of July will witness the arrival in Portland of most of the Grand Lodge officers and the three "hiking delegates" who have walked from their home in Brookfield, Mo., across five states, almost to the edge of the city.

These two events will be almost enough for one day in the busy life of the Portland Elks. But it will be only the beginning of a 10-day whirl of fun, good fellowship and excitement.

Following the arrival of the distinguished heads of the order who will ride on Pullman cars and their no less worthy brothers, who are traveling on foot, will come a stream of delegates, alternates, high officials and lay members, together with their families and friends in sufficient numbers to keep this old city in a state of delight bordering almost upon confusion for a period of nearly two weeks.

Portland Lodge Ready.

Members of the Portland Lodge and the commissioners of the Portland Lodge who have had charge of the preliminary details of this convention are ready right now to have their guests walk in and partake of the lavish program of Western hospitality that they have prepared for them. Their plans are complete. They are ready to say to their anticipated brothers:

"Here is our beautiful city. This is the pasture that we have prepared for you. Come, roam about and browse in it as you will."

This is the form of greeting that will be extended to all visitors; not only will the Elks of Portland join together in bidding welcome to their guests, but the people of Portland will unite in the effort to make their stay pleasant and socially profitable.

These few scattering lodgesmen who already are on the ground have taken the freedom of the city and have tested a portion of the good things that will be theirs to enjoy when nearly 60,000 of their number join them here one week hence.

Elk Quarters Are Open.

The Elk clubrooms and lodgerooms will be open all week to receive them and to entertain them. The elaborate decorations in various parts of the city that will form a part of the general scheme of display for convention week will cheer them.

By the time the Elk chieftains arrive on Thursday the decorations will be complete. The magnificent "Court of Honor" bounded by Seventh, Yamhill, Sixth and Stark streets, with Elks' temple as one of its bases, will be ready. Nearly all the big buildings in the business district that are planning to be attired in the regulation Elk colors, purple and white, will have on their convention dress.

The Fourth of July, therefore, will mark the beginning of what undoubtedly will be the best-attended and most successful convention in the history of the order, as well as the greatest gathering of people ever held in Portland.

The National convention of Elks annually is the occasion of almost unlimited festivity, but that in Portland this year probably will be the scene of unexampled pleasure and enjoyment. Were the program that Portland has prepared alone to be offered for the entertainment of the people here assembled, it would suffice to send everyone away happy. But that will not be all. Most Elks who come here will bring their entertainment with them.

Chicago Bringing Actors.

The Chicago lodge, for instance, has hired a troupe of vaudeville actors, who not only will perform for the benefit of the Chicago delegates, but will entertain guests at their headquarters and wherever they happen to go while in the city.

The New York lodge has arranged to have a band in constant attendance at its own headquarters and will dispense characteristic hospitality. Each of the other lodges that are coming in organized form will be prepared to do a little entertaining.

For instance, the lodges of the Grange Belt district of California will bring a carload of oranges, wine, nuts and other products of their district and distribute them free as long as they last.

San Francisco is coming to launch a boom for the 1915 meeting—the year of the Panama-Pacific Exposition. They will spare no expense in showing the people of Portland and their Elks guests a sample of California hospitality.

Butte Brings Clown Band.

Butte probably will have its famous clown band on duty. That is a show in itself and many people will find mirth and merriment enough to cure their chronic dyspepsia by just watching the Butte crowd.

It is the impromptu entertainment, therefore, that makes nearly every Elk convention the happy occasion that it is. While Portland probably has outstripped all its predecessors in its plans for making the stay of its guests a pleasant one, the antics of the visitors still must be depended upon for that unconventional atmosphere of freedom and delight necessary to wholesome

and whole-souled enjoyment such as is present wherever a group of Elks meet.

Many distinguished members of the order have signified their intention of coming to Portland, among them being nearly all the past grand exalted rulers.

Charles E. Pickett, of Waterloo, Iowa, is a lawyer, now serving his home district in Congress; Joseph T. Fanning is a member of the Indianapolis lodge, but resides in New York; William J. O'Brien is a Baltimore attorney; Judge Henry A. Melvin, of Oakland, an associate justice of the California Supreme Court; Robert W. Brown, managing editor of the Louisville Times; John K. Tener, Governor

of Pennsylvania; Rush S. Holland, of Colorado Springs, and James T. Sammis, of Le Mars, Iowa, also are attorneys, while August Hermann, of Cincinnati, is a National power in baseball.

John P. Sullivan, the incumbent grand exalted ruler, is a prominent attorney of his home city, New Orleans. Many other Elks prominent in the affairs of their respective home communities, and some of them of National repute, will be in attendance. The grand lodge sessions at the Armory will be attended by a distinguished body of gentlemen.

Parade July 11 Great Feature.

The principal feature of the week will be the parade on Thursday, July 11, at 10 A. M. It is expected that 25,000 uniformed Elks will participate. Every section of the country will be represented. The well-trained drill

teams of Denver, Los Angeles and other lodges will participate.

Prizes have been awarded for many separate features, but none of them is attracting more attention than is the competition for the honor of being the oldest Elk in line. Oregon Elks hope to win the prize with F. X. Matthieu, the sole survivor of the historic Chaspege convention, who is a member of Salem lodge. He is 95.

However, if Joseph C. Tiffree, of Marshalltown, Iowa, carries out his promise to come to Portland he will be an easy winner, as he is 102 years of age.

Souvenir venders, button sellers, pennant peddlers and various other enterprising dealers in convention novelties already are on the ground.

Their cries will mingle with the blare of the brass band, the joyous shouts of the Elks and their friends and making the air a "melody of dis-

cordant notes," if such a condition be possible.

What undoubtedly will be an inspiring feature of the week's festivities will be the part played by Frank Hennessy, Deputy District Attorney in Portland, who will march through the streets, attired in a purple and white suit singing the words of the popular song, "Brother Bill, the Town Belongs to You," the words and music for which were written by Ross W. Fishburn, a member of the Portland lodge. The words are as follows:

Brother Bill, the Town Belongs to You.
From the North and the South,
From the East and the West,
From everywhere
Comes a jolly herd of jolly Elks
To the city of Portland fair.
And the City of Roses, with outstretched arms,
Cries "Welcome to you."
And wherever you go, "Bill," they will shout

"Hello, Bill," the town is yours, Bill, thro' and thro'.

CHORUS.
We're glad you're here,
We're glad you're here,
The roses say "Welcome" to you.
No matter where you roam,
Just make yourself at home
As all good Elks should do.
We're glad you came,
We're glad you came,
Brother Bill and Mrs. too.
We're here because we're here, because,
Brother Bill, the town belongs to you.

Take each brother in hand,
Show him all o'er the land,
Where roses grow,
Show him all the sights by day or night—
Our Mount Hood all white with snow,
Bid him be of good cheer, make him glad
he's here
So when he goes away
He will shout with all his might,
"Portland treated us all right,
"We'll come again, Bill, some fine day."
CHORUS.

race horse, Mark Twain; H. C. Victor, J. Melmoth, of Walla Walla; George P. Vining, once prominently connected in politics in Southern Oregon; Captain Otis Parsons and wife, nee McDeville, of San Francisco, who was once a prominent actress; Miss Fannie Palmer, of Victoria; S. P. Moody, British Columbia lumber king, and John Tarnell, Victoria merchant, were a few among those lost and mourned.

Vessel Valued at \$100,000.

The Pacific was a wooden side-wheel steamer of about 300 tons burden, built in 1851 by H. W. Brown, of New York. She was nearly rebuilt at San Francisco in 1870. She was docked and surveyed on the trip before the last made and was given an A2 certificate. Her value was placed at about \$100,000. Her cargo of hops and oats was worth about \$25,000. The insurance on the steamer was \$47,000.

The exact amount of treasure lost will never be known, but it was very large. Francis Garlisle, Wells, Fargo & Co.'s messenger on the steamer, was known to have had in his possession about \$500,000 in gold dust, which he was taking to the United States Mint at San Francisco. The treasure for banks amounted to \$75,000. There was also a party of miners returning to California from the Caribou and other gold camps of British Columbia, laden with the precious metal, the aggregate wealth being estimated high into the hundreds of thousands.

WRECK OF PACIFIC IN 1874 COST 275 LIVES

Wooden Side-Wheeler of 300 Tons, Valued at \$100,000, Rammed by Orpheus off Cape Flattery and Only Two Survive.

BY MYRON K. MYERS.

THIRTY-EIGHT years ago there was a vessel lost off the coast of Washington, which, in point of mortality, was the worst foundering that has occurred on the North Pacific Coast. The steamship Pacific, under command of Captain Jeff Howell, was running from Victoria, B. C., to San Francisco, when she was rammed by the American ship Orpheus, Captain Charles A. Sawyer. Whether justly or unjustly, Captain Sawyer was criticized to his dying day for his conduct in the matter. Many at the time of the disaster held that the old skipper was more or less responsible for it and the loss of 275 lives.

The Pacific sank December 4, 1874, about 40 miles west and south of Cape Flattery. On the morning of that day she left Victoria, bound for San Francisco, having on board a full passenger list, a cargo of freight and probably \$1,000,000 in treasure. About 3 o'clock in the evening, after she had

doubled Cape Flattery, she collided with the Orpheus and was so badly damaged that she sank within an hour. The Orpheus was bound for British Columbia and was badly damaged in the collision. The shock carried away her gearing and before it could be repaired and her bearings taken she slid up on Cooper Island's rocky reef, off the coast of Vancouver Island. Captain Sawyer, with his family and all the crew, managed to save their lives and proceed to Victoria, where, for the first time, they learned of the loss of the Pacific.

Sawyer Denies Blame.

At the time public sentiment was very bitter against Captain Sawyer, who was denounced for not attempting to rescue the hapless steamship passengers and crew, but shipping merchant that, considering the badly damaged condition of his ship, it would have been an utter impossibility for him to have rendered any assistance to the steamer. Captain Sawyer claimed

that he saw the lights of the approaching steamer plainly and that he had his own ship's lights burning brightly. He changed his course several times in order to avoid a collision, but the Pacific bore steadily down upon his ship and the terrible catastrophe which followed was consequently unavoidable.

A fearful scene of terror and confusion followed the collision on board the steamer. The passengers were panic-stricken. The officers and members of the crew acted with great coolness and intrepidity, but all their efforts to pacify the passengers were fruitless.

With great difficulty several boats were launched, but in the rush and scramble which, for want of management, followed, they were swamped, one after the other, and all their occupants perished. No heed was paid to age, sex or condition. It was every one for himself. Several rafts were launched, but all who clung frantically to them were drowned sooner or later. Henry T. Jelley and Nell Henley were the only persons who survived the catastrophe, and the statements made by them furnish all the particulars obtainable of that fearful tragedy of the ocean. Just before the vessel gave the final plunge she broke in two. Jelley managed to crawl up on the pilot-house and save himself. Another man did the same thing, but soon after perished. Jelley drifted from Thursday night to Saturday morning, when, more dead than alive, he was sighted and rescued by the ship Mes-

senger and taken to Port Townsend. He gave the first authentic account of the loss of the Pacific. He claimed to have seen several persons drifting about long after the steamer sank, but all perished.

Nell Henley took refuge on one of the wheelhouses, but soon afterward he got on a raft when the vessel foundered. There were eight other persons, he said, with him, including two women and Captain Howell, who was in command of the Pacific; but all grew weak from exposure and were washed away and drowned. Captain Howell was the last of the eight to perish. Captain Howell lost his life in a heroic attempt to save a woman. All had been lost except Henley, Howell and one of the two women. A big wave washed the latter from the raft and Howell sprang gallantly to her rescue. Both were there, were eight other persons, he said, with him, including two women and Captain Howell, who was in command of the Pacific; but all grew weak from exposure and were washed away and drowned. Captain Howell was the last of the eight to perish. Captain Howell lost his life in a heroic attempt to save a woman. All had been lost except Henley, Howell and one of the two women. 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