

ELKS DELEGATIONS THREADING WAY TOWARD PORTLAND

New York Special of 10 Cars
Left Last Night; Grand Ex-
alted Ruler to Arrive
Thursday Morning.

Portland, Ore. The great annual migration of Elks is under way with Portland, the reunion city, as their destination. Today, large delegations from the east and south are speeding westward, in special trains, and cars. Later this week, delegations from the middle east will start on their long journey toward the land of the setting sun, and during the latter part of the week, special trains from various Pacific coast cities will join in the procession toward the Rose City. Although several special trains that will carry large delegations are due in Portland July 10 and 11, the majority of them will arrive here on the morning of July 8, the date for the opening of the grand lodge reunion.

Indications are that Portland will entertain an average of 100,000 visitors each day of the reunion.

New Yorkers on Way.
According to information at the Elks commission headquarters members of the New York lodge, started for Portland last night in a ten-car special train, as did the Boston Elks, who have chartered two trains. Three special trains bearing the New Orleans and Louisiana delegations are already on the road. The trains left the Crescent City Saturday night, via Los Angeles. The Newark, N. J., special is on the road also. Elks from Birmingham, Ala., Tampa, Fla., and Hartford, aboard special cars en route also. They will arrive July 9.

Grand Exalted Ruler John Sullivan and members of the grand lodge are en route from Chicago, and will arrive in Portland via Seattle, probably Thursday morning. They will make their headquarters at the Multnomah hotel.

The Elks from California, the southwest and northwest, will arrive for the most part on the morning of July 8. According to information given out by the passenger department of the O.-W. & N. today special trains from Baker, Spokane, La Grande, Montana and Colorado, will arrive on the morning of the 8th. On the 7th, special trains from Omaha, Kansas City and Salt Lake City, are scheduled to arrive at Portland. Each special will average seven cars.

On the morning of the eleventh, the day of the big parade, a 20-car special train, bearing the Seattle Elks, will arrive, and a 10-car special from Pendleton, an eight-car special from Aberdeen, and a five-car special from Hoquiam.

California Delegations.
The Southern Pacific passenger department is advised that two special trains from San Francisco, three from Oakland, one from Fresno, two from Los Angeles, one from San Diego, one from the California orange belt, and one from Klamath Falls will reach Portland during Elks' week. The exact date of their arrival, however, is not known at present.

In addition, special trains bearing Elks and visitors will arrive at Portland from Sacramento, Cal., July 8, and the following Oregon points: Albany, July 11; Medford, July 7; Eugene, July 7.

The New England delegation, aboard a special car, is scheduled to arrive July 8 at the Cincinnati Elks, who have reserved two standard Pullmans.

Secretary Harry McAllister of the convention commission today received a communication from the Butte lodge advising him that the Butte Elks wished to present the Portland lodge with a "token" in remembrance of the 1912 convention, and asking that an informal lodge meeting for the presentation be held. The meeting probably will be called for the night of July 7, the date set for the arrival of the Montana delegation.

The Miller & Frank department store today notified the Elks' commission that it had set aside a space 80 feet square in the store as a rest room for visiting Elks' ladies during the reunion. The store will provide free writing materials in the rest room, among other things.

Auto Rides Planned.

To insure a plentiful supply of automobiles Tuesday afternoon, July 9, when visiting Elks' ladies will be treated to a sight-seeing trip around the city, the Elks' commission today addressed communications to every automobile owner in Portland requesting the use of his car for that afternoon. A large number of automobile owners have already signified their intention of aiding the Elks in this connection. Invitations to attend the opening of the "Skyline Boulevard," in South Portland, Tuesday afternoon, July 9, have been issued by the South Portland boosters. The boulevard will be formally opened under the auspices of the grand lodge of Elks, Governor West and Mayor Rushlight are included among those who will deliver addresses. The work of decorating the Armory, where the grand lodge sessions will be held began today. John Burgard, decoration commission, also announced that contracts for lighting a number of downtown streets not included in the court of honor have been let also.

BIDS FOR BLANK BOOKS

Is the blank record book trust of Portland broken?

This question naturally arises from a comparison of bids submitted the county this morning with similar bids submitted last year. The comparison shows all Portland blank book makers considerably lower than formerly. County Clerk Fields giving the reason that the county last year gave a San Francisco firm the work.

The bids submitted today were for 100 blank books for the clerk's office. The lowest bid was for \$11 a book, submitted by the Portland Printing company. The next highest bid was \$11.15 a book, submitted by the Yoran Printing company, of Eugene. Glaser & Prudhomme were third lowest with a bid of \$11.50 a book, and Lincoln-McCord Printing company submitted a bid of \$11.75. There were a half dozen other bids higher than the \$11.75 bid, running as high as \$12.

Bids for similar books submitted by the Portland firms last year were for \$14.40. This was the unanimous price submitted. The county commissioners considered the figure too high, and so-

United a bid from Crocker & Company, of San Francisco, which concern offered to do the work for \$15.50 a book. The firm was given the work. Practically all the local blank book makers protested against the county going to California for the work, sending delegations of local printers to the union to make further protest against discrimination against home products. The county gave the work to Crocker & Company, nevertheless, and the lower bids today by local printers is taken as an indication by county officials that this reduction is due to the action in ignoring the home bids and taking the lowest bids submitted. The bids opened today were referred to County Auditor Martin to be checked up and returned to the commissioners.

AUTO RUNS OVER MAN WHO IS CRANKING IT

The failure of E. C. Reed, of East Twelfth and Tillamook streets to release the clutch on his automobile when he stopped in front of his home yesterday afternoon, resulted in a serious accident to him, for when Reed attempted to crank his auto some time later in the day, it sprang ahead as the spark caught, crashed into Reed, fractured his jaw, and laid him out for the alertness of Mrs. Reed who, though unfamiliar with the mechanism of the auto, pulled the right clutch and stopped the car, he would probably have been crushed to death.

Mrs. Reed was in the auto when her husband spun the crank, and when she saw his plight and saw that the auto was heading for a high curb, she started pulling on the levers until the auto stopped. Mr. Reed was rushed to the Good Samaritan hospital and is being operated on this afternoon. Aside from the fractured jaw and a few bruises, Reed escaped without serious results, although he was unconscious when first picked up. He is a member of Reed Bros., tailors.

BUTCHERS AND MEAT CUTTERS HOLD PICNIC

A large crowd of people enjoyed the annual picnic of the Meat Cutters and Butcher workmen held yesterday at Bannerville. The trip was made from Portland on a special train leaving here daily in the morning and arriving at the picnic grounds shortly before noon.

The sheep-killing contest for the championship of the Northwest was won by Goldie Bennett. The time being 3 minutes and 53 seconds, which is remarkable, it is said, for killing and pelting two sheep. In the real skinning contest, M. J. Lux was first. His time was two minutes and 50 seconds.

The judges for these events were L. Penna, George L. Parker, A. F. Burkhardt and George B. Rice, who also acted as timekeepers.

RAILROAD HEAD FINDS CROP OUTLOOK GOOD

President Carl H. Gray, of the Great Northern railway, who arrived here late Saturday night to visit his family spending the summer here, expects to leave for St. Paul tomorrow evening, although he would very much like to remain for the official opening of the Oregon Electric extension to Albany next Thursday, July 4.

President Gray says he found crop prospects excellent all over the Northwest and therefore the outlook is very encouraging. He spent considerable time today conferring with President Joseph H. Young, of the North Bank and Hill lines in Oregon.

Thief Suspect Arrested.

The police have received word from Tacoma of the arrest of Thomas Francisco, who is wanted for the theft of a seven passenger automobile from D. M. Holbrook, of 402 Couch building, which was taken June 25. The car has been returned to the owner. Francisco will be brought here for trial.

Garbage Reduction Plant.

The report of Superintendent Otis of the refuse incinerator shows that the new plant at Guild's Lake is continuing to do great work. The cost of destruction of garbage averaged only 30 cents a ton, the lowest yet recorded. This is the lowest cost ever achieved anywhere in the world by a refuse burner.

G. F. Metzger presented to the board a proposition to establish a garbage reduction plant. He said he could save

Problem of Taking Care of Garbage Again Looms Up;

Mayor Favors Ross Island
Plan; Smoke Nuisance.

That Portland faces as knotty a problem as to the handling of garbage as it did four years ago, before the new incinerator at Guild's Lake was built, is the opinion that was expressed unanimously by members of the city health board and Mayor Rushlight, at the regular monthly session of the board this morning.

"Four years ago," said City Crematory Superintendent D. B. Otis, "we had a little 30 ton incinerator which could not begin to meet the demands made upon it. As a result refuse piled on the crematory grounds at the rate of 100 tons a day. After agitation for several years the city finally built the present incinerator, with a capacity of 150 tons a day. During the present month the plant has destroyed an average of 160 tons. Some days it has been called upon to dispose of more than 180 tons."

Plant Under Great Strain.

"There is a grave danger that the plant may break down under this great strain, yet the garbage continues to come in and has to be handled. We should take steps to provide another incinerator at once. There has been an outcry that the present administration has neglected to sell \$75,000 of garbage collection bonds voted by the people."

"If a garbage collection system should be established right now, what would we do with the garbage? Under a system of municipal collection at least 250 tons a day would be delivered to the plant at Guild's Lake and the plant is already overtaxed."

"If it is going to take us as long to get another incinerator as it did to acquire the present one," remarked Dr. Story, "we should take steps to get a new one soon. If anything happens to the present plant the city will be up against it."

Ross Island Solution.
"It's only a matter of time," declared Mayor Rushlight, "till we will be facing a greater problem than ever. That's one reason why I want the people to vote over Ross Island. The great difficulty in the past has been to get the council to agree on a site for an incinerator. Every time a site has been proposed the residents of the locality in which the site has been proposed have set up a howl of protest. Ross Island, in my opinion, is the only solution to the problem. I expect that the special election to vote on commission government will be held some time in October. Until that time our hands are tied. I believe, if the people understood the situation, they would vote to acquire the island. I intend to put the question up to the voters, anyway, and if they turn it down the next administration can wrestle with the situation that will be forced upon it."

Truck and Auto in Collision; One Hurt

While Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Blaesing of East Fifty-seventh and Fremont streets, were driving to church in their auto yesterday morning, an auto truck driven by Ed Close, collided with the Blaesing auto at the corner of East Morrison street and Union avenue, throwing both the occupants of the Blaesing machine out. Mrs. Blaesing was thrown against a brick wall, and sustained severe injuries to the spine, hip and neck. Blaesing escaped with a few bruises. The auto was completely wrecked, the rear wheels being torn off and the side of the car was caved in.

According to Close, the Blaesing auto was coming at a high rate of speed, making it impossible to stop when his truck came in sight around the corner, but Blaesing asserts that Close made a short turn off Morrison street onto Union avenue and in an effort to avoid a large set of scales which was on the right hand side of the street, tried to pass around the left side of the Blaesing machine.

An entire new body, a new rear wheel, running board and fender will have to be used to repair the touring car. The auto truck was not damaged to any extent. Mrs. Blaesing is at her home, confined to her bed.

DANCE HALL OPERATORS HELD TO GRAND JURY

The proprietors of the Columbia danc hall were held to the grand jury this morning by Presiding Judge Kavanaugh. Sheriff Stevens has gathered evidence against the place.

Journal Want Ads bring results.

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