

ELKS SWING INTO ACTION EARLY TODAY

Many Special Trains to Come With Visitors—Kick-off at Armory Last Night With Welcome Extended

ALL LODGES IN STATE PREPARED FOR PARADE

Sacred Tenets of Elksdom Told by Justice Harris in Armory Address

ELKS PROGRAM TODAY

9:30—Band concert on street corners.
10:00—State convention, Elks' lodge room, Liberty street.
11:30—Band concert in Willson park.
2:30—Baseball, Oxford park, Twelfth street, south.
7:30—Parade starts promptly, lodges forming under general supervision of Connell Dyer, director of parade.
9:00—Band concert and display of illuminated fountain in Willson park.
9:00—Dance at armory.

Six special trains, or regular trains carrying special coaches, are scheduled to arrive in Salem today bringing herds of Elks from all parts of Oregon for the state convention. Several hundred visiting Elks arrived in the city yesterday, including most of the state officers, but these came as heralds of greater numbers who are following them; and when the last special arrives today, a train from Portland due at 7:30, most of the delegations will be here, and indications are that Salem will be thronged with visitors as never before.

While the state convention does not actually swing into action until this morning, the kick-off was staged at the armory last night with the welcoming speeches by Governor Olcott, August Hucksstein and Mayor O. J. Wilson, a response by Harry G. Allen, president of the state Elks association, an address by Justice Lawrence T. Harris of the supreme court and a program of music.

Train Schedule Announced.
The schedule of trains arriving today is officially announced as follows:
3:30 a. m.—Astoria delegation to arrive in special car, to be parked on Front street between D and Division streets.

5 a. m.—Marshfield lodge to arrive in special train, to be parked on Front street between D and Division streets.

6:55 a. m.—Medford delegation arrives, car to be parked on Front street between D and Division streets.
5:5 a. m.—Roseburg to arrive, car to be parked on Front street between D and Division streets.

2:05 p. m.—Eugene to arrive and detain at Southern Pacific passenger station.

At 7:30 p. m. the Portland lodge-men will arrive by special train and detain at Twelfth and State streets. They leave for the return at 12 o'clock midnight, enroute at Twelfth and State.

It is announced that tomorrow night a special train will leave the state fair grounds immediately after the boxing matches at the stadium, making stops at all points on route.

Business Session Today.
The entertainment today starts at 9:30 a. m. with band concerts on the street corners. At 10 o'clock the first business session of the state convention will convene at the Elks temple on Liberty street. At 1:30 this afternoon there will be a band concert in Willson park and at 2:30 the Salem Senators meet Vancouver in baseball at Oxford park.

The big out-door event for tonight is the parade to start at 7:30. This will be followed at 9 o'clock by a band concert and display of the illuminated Waite Memorial fountain in Willson park and a dance at the armory.

In the parade the line of march will contain representation from all

DRY PARTY NOMINATES W. J. BRYAN

First Tendered Position of Standard Bearer Which He Declined to Accept—Signal for Complete Stampede

BREAKS PRECEDENT BY NOMINATING FIRST DAY

Friends and Relatives of the Commoner Unite in Opposing Nomination

LINCOLN, Neb., July 21.—William Jennings Bryan was nominated by acclamation as the prohibition party's presidential nominee at the national convention here today. The nomination came after a resolution "tendering" him the position of standard bearer and brought out the fact in debate that he had telegraphed friends here that he "could not accept."

In naming Mr. Bryan the convention upset precedent as well as its program by selecting the candidate on the first day. Nominations were not scheduled until Friday.

The nomination came after a complete stampede of the delegates which was started by the resolution of W. G. Calderwood of Minnesota, "tendering" Mr. Bryan the leadership and asking him to reply promptly to the convention.

Attempts to table this resolution only resulted in an hour's recess during which its opponents, led by Clinton N. Howard of New York, urged Charles Bryan, brother of the nominee, to make public communications. He was known to have concurred in Mr. Bryan's attitude on the subject.

C. W. Bryan, in his letter to the convention, said:

"Kindly request the members of the convention to omit Mr. Bryan's name from consideration in connection with the nomination or in the adoption of such a resolution."

"Friends of Mr. Bryan and the cause of prohibition will discourage such action."

This brought out the fact that a proposed stampede, plans for which became known yesterday, had resulted in Mr. Howard sending a telegram to Mr. Bryan asking if he would accept the nomination and that the Nebraska had replied saying he would decline. Speakers criticized Mr. Howard for what they termed his "recalcitrant attitude" in not making public the correspondence sooner, when it was generally known this morning that he had heard from Mr. Bryan.

C. N. Howard, a New York delegate, read the following telegram from W. J. Bryan:

"Prohibition convention at Lincoln, Neb.: I appreciate your confidence in me. Please see my brother, C. W. Bryan. He will fully explain why my acceptance is impossible."

Charles Bryan sent a letter to the convention after it reconvened urging that it reject the resolution and saying that Mr. Bryan's friends would oppose him accepting.

Various speakers then charged that in numerous secret conferences between delegates and Charles Bryan had been held in the past, when with the apparent object of preventing Mr. Bryan's nomination on the ground that he did not want to be named.

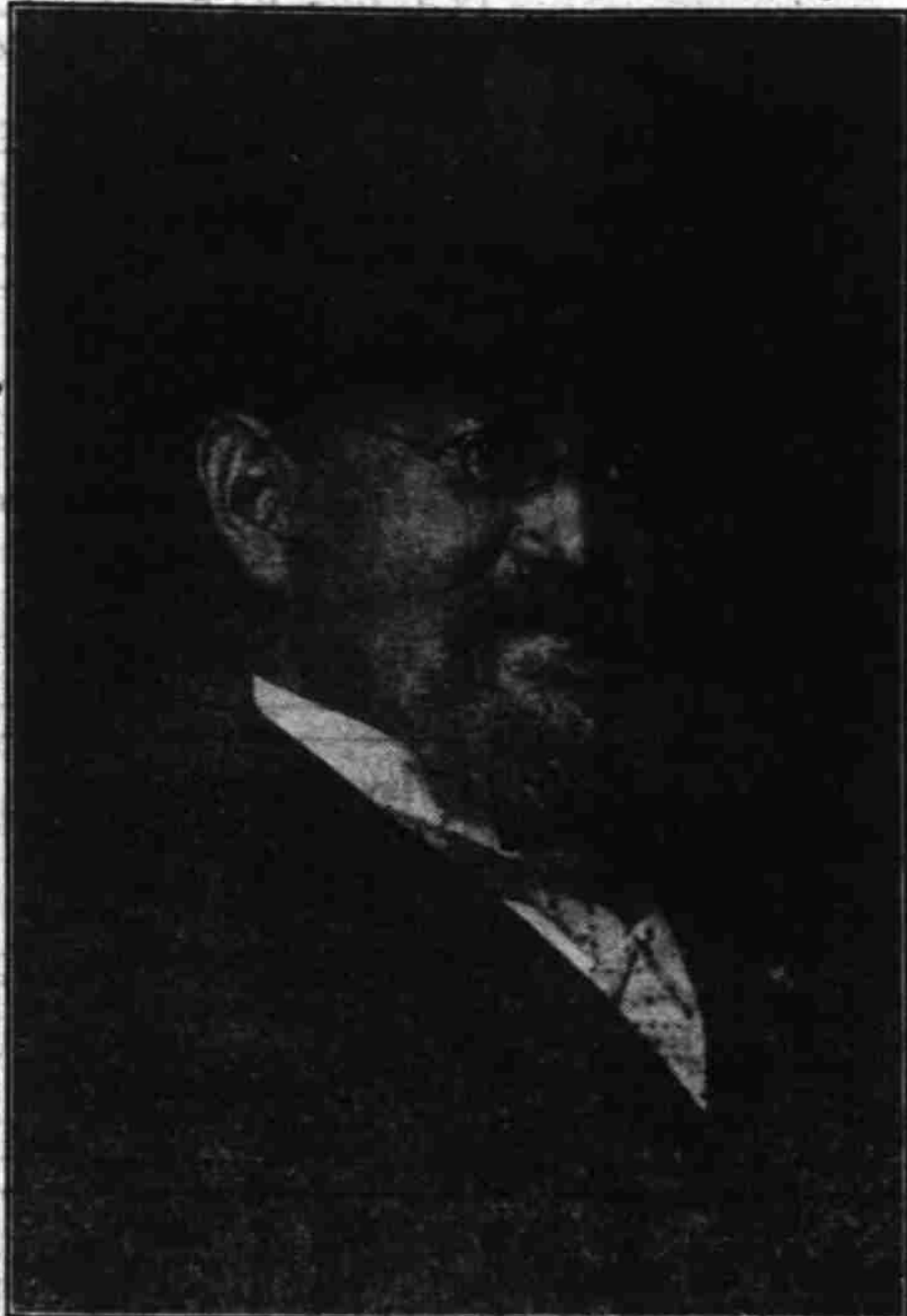
The telegram sent to Mr. Bryan tonight notifying him of his nomination follows in part:

"Prohibition national convention nominated you by acclamation with great enthusiasm, in response to a flood of demands from people of all political creeds and from all parts of the nation. People are sick and disheartened over the situation in the dominant parties and millions are in revolt against both of them. We believe that we speak advisedly when we say that you face an unprecedented opportunity for good. A million volunteer campaigners and speakers will spring to your support. A hundred thousand college students can be organized to work for your election."

The women are praying for such an opportunity as your candidacy affords, millions of the rank and file of the voters will find in your candi-

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SOME of the officers of Oregon State Elks association now in third annual session in Salem. Above at left, Harry G. Allen, president of state association and member of Portland lodge who will preside over sessions held here. Above at right, R. Alexander of Pendleton lodge, first vice president who is expected to be elected Mr. Allen's successor. Left at bottom, James D. Olson of Oregon City lodge, secretary of state association, and E. C. Jerome of Medford, sergeant-at-arms.



EXTRA POLICEWOMEN NAMED BY MATRON

ONE APPOINTED FOR CONVENTION WEEK BY ELK LODGE

Mrs. Shanks Declares Minor Girls on Streets After Curfew Will Feel Hand of Law

Police Matron Mrs. L. Shanks announced last night that two other matrons have been added to her force to serve during the Elks convention. She also said a matron had been appointed by the local Elks lodge to assist her in her work.

It is the matron's plan to enforce strict observance of the curfew regulations of the city and says minor girls who are on the streets not properly escorted will be dealt with according to the regulations laid down by ordinance. She says dance halls will receive her full attention during convention week.

ASK BOARD FOR LOAN OF SHIPS

Needed for Transportation of Grain in Great Lakes Region

WASHINGTON, July 21.—Use of 35 new government ships now in the upper Great Lakes for the movement of grain from western and northwestern states to the Atlantic seaboard, was asked of the shipping board today by the American farm bureau federation.

Officials of the shipping board said that because the majority of lake boats already have been allocated, they predicted there would be difficulty in putting the plan into operation.

GREEKS ADVANCING.

LONDON, July 21.—A Greek communication received this evening announced that the Greeks, supported by the British fleet, have occupied Heraclea and Rodosto, and that all Turkish resistance has been crushed.



HISTORY AND IDEALS OF ELKDOM TOLD BY JUDGE D'ARCY, CHARTER MEMBER OF SALEM LODGE NO. 336

By JUDGE P. H. D'ARCY

(Judge D'Arcy is a charter member of Salem lodge, No. 336, and was its first officer.)

The third annual state convention of the Order of Elks, under the auspices of the Oregon Elks association brings vividly to mind the first organization of this order. From small beginnings it has developed into one of the strongest and most respected benevolent institutions in the United States.

The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks had its origin in New York City, on February 16, 1868. The growth of the order has been wonderful. The unostentatious manner in which an Elk exemplifies the principles of this fraternity attracts and appeals to all persons who esteem and love good deeds, and the welfare of the human race. Its principles are of such a character as to meet a responsive chord in the hearts of all those who make an effort to practice the Golden Rule, which is the fundamental groundwork of this

order. "To do unto others as you would that they should do unto you" is one of the chief tenets of the Elks organization.

Legion of Elks in War
From an original membership consisting of seven members, it has grown to be an organization of 750,000 members. It is purely an American order, and its loyalty to our country was shown in the late world war, where 70,000 Elks served in the armies of the United States, and more than \$2,000,000 was contributed by the Elks grand lodge to assist the government in carrying on the great work of making the world safe for republican principles and the freedom of all peoples, and to establish the rights of the oppressed of the earth to self-determination.

The Oregon State Elks association was organized on the 15th of August, 1917. Brother Dr. W. S. Kennedy of The Dalles lodge, No. 303, was president for two years, and at the present time, Brother H. G. Allen

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LIGHTNING HITS TREE IN PORTLAND SUBURBS

TREE BURNS COMMUNICATING FIRE TO HOUSE

Residents of Southern Section Report Shower of Small White Stones

PORTLAND, Or., July 21.—A shaft of lightning here today struck a tree near a small dwelling in a suburb. The tree was set on fire and the flames were communicated to the house, which was completely destroyed. No other damage had been reported tonight from a rainstorm, accompanied by heavy thunder and lightning, which swept the city. Residents of the southeast section reported that a fall of small white stones, not unlike broken china pieces, accompanied the storm over a considerable area. The stones, according to reports, were still on the ground several hours after the storm had ceased.

PRICE OF COAL IS INCREASED

Coal Famine in September Is Now a Practical Certainty

PORTLAND, July 21.—A proposed increase of \$1.50 a ton in the price of coal and the alleged practical certainty of a coal famine in September are two matters brought to light by a thorough investigation of the local coal situation by the United States attorney's office here. Coal dealers of the city, two of whom were in conference with Assistant United States Attorney Austin Flegel today, declared there must be an increase in the margin of profit allowed them by the fuel administration, now extinct. During the fuel administration regime they were allowed a \$5 margin over and above the cost of mining and freight. The present price of coal here is \$15 a ton.

CANNED MEATS TO SELL CHEAP

War Department Will Place Millions of Dollars Worth on Market

WASHINGTON, July 21.—In an effort to combat the high cost of living, the war department soon is to place millions of dollars worth of canned meats on the market at prices below even pre-war quotations, said an announcement today from the office of the division of sales.

THE WEATHER:

Thursday cloudy and unsettled; moderate westerly winds.

HARDING TO FIGHT FOR SUFFRAGE

Senator Hopes That Federal Amendment Will Have Been Ratified by Required Number of States by Fall

DISCUSSES POSITION ON LEAGUE WITH LODGE

All Arrangements Complete For Today's Notification Ceremonies

MARION, Or., July 21.—Senator Harding enlisted in the fight for woman suffrage tonight declaring on the eve of his formal acceptance of the Republican nomination for president that he was ready to throw the weight of his influence for ratification in time for all women to vote in November.

The announcement followed a call by representatives of the national American woman suffrage association and took the form of a message to Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, head of the association at Nashville, Tenn.

"I am exceedingly glad to learn," the telegram said, "that you are in Tennessee seeking to consummate the ratification of the equal suffrage amendment. If any of the Republican members of the Tennessee assembly should ask my opinion as to their course, I would cordially recommend an immediate favorable action."

The association's representatives stole a march on a delegation of the national woman's party who had planned to shelve the formal notification ceremonies tomorrow by demanding that the nominee urge Republican legislators in Tennessee to vote for ratification.

What action the woman's party would take was uncertain tonight but their engagement to see Senator Harding tomorrow stood.

The conference between Senator Harding and the party of women occupied only a few minutes and followed a day given over largely to preparations for the notification ceremonies at which thenominee will deliver an acceptance speech, interpreting the party platform and declaring his personal stand on national issues.

His position on the league of nations was discussed by the candidate at a conference with Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, who will deliver the notification speech and who as chairman of the foreign relations committee, led the senate fight against unreserved ratification of the treaty. It was understood they went over thoroughly the ground on which the league battle is to be fought.

The candidate is expected to lay down a policy tomorrow contributing to the paramountcy of the league issue in the campaign and helping to clear the air for a finish fight between the two parties. His advisers he will strike out with all the strength against the league as President Wilson submitted it, and will add a constructive suggestion of what should be done to secure peace and to maintain it.

The acceptance speech will be delivered late in the afternoon. At 7 o'clock in the morning a local delegation will march to Senator Harding's residence and the candidate will officiate at a flag raising, hoisting the stars and stripes on the flagpole recently transplanted to the Harding lawn from the residence of William McKim at Canton.

The nominee expects to make no address, however, until the notification program begins at a park in the outskirts of the city at 2 p. m. More than 30 special trains are expected during the day and many thousands will motor in from nearby cities.

Republicans and Democrats of Marion have joined hands to provide entertainment.

Two of the delegations will be particularly welcome. One will be the reconstituted brass band from Caledonia, in which Senator Harding once played a trombone, and the other a group of several hundred citizens of Dayton, home town of the senator's Democratic opponent, James M. Cox.

The notification is to be held in a Chautauque pavilion, where seats have been provided for 1900 although more than 10 times that number are expected. Will H. Hays, national chairman, will preside. Bishop William F. Oldham of the Methodist Episcopal church will deliver the invocation and the Rev. Father Joseph M. Denning of St. Mary's Catholic church here the benediction.

Among the telegrams he received was one from Perley Christensen, nominee of the farmer-labor party for president, requesting that he use his influence for executive clemency for Eugene V. Debs, the socialist nominee, who is in the Atlanta penitentiary. Senator Harding said he would reply after the notification ceremonies were over.

The suffrage delegation who called on the candidate tonight arrived unexpectedly and walked into Harding's headquarters just as the senator was leaving for dinner. They were given a hearing at once and a few minutes later the message to Mrs. Catt was made public.

OFFICERS OF SALEM LODGE NO. 336 WHICH IS HOST TO OREGON STATE ELKS ASSOCIATION



From left to right—E. A. Kurtz, exalted ruler; George H. Riches, esteemed leading knight; D. G. Drager, esteemed loyal knight; E. M. Page, esteemed lecturing knight; W. D. Evans, trustee; E. M. Hazard, trustee; Dr. H. H. Olinger, trustee; John H. Carson, esquire; Chester M. Cox, treasurer; A. L. Fraser, tyler; Harry Wiedmer, secretary; I. W. Lewis, chaplain; R. L. Scharf, inner guard.