OFFICIAL PROGRAM
American Legion Convention

Wednesday—August 1st

7:00 p. m. Meeting of committee on committees—Elks Temple.
7:00 p. m. Meeting of committee on credentials—Elks Temple.
8:00 p. m. Meeting of department executive committee—Elks Temple
8:30 p. m. Public dance, Hilarity hall.
Registration of delegates, alternates, and visitors, all day, at Registration headquarters, Chamber of Commerce building.

Thursday, August 2nd

7:00 a. m. Arrival of special trains from eastern Oregon and Willamette valley points.
7:00 a. m. Registration of delegates, alternates and visitors.
8:00 a. m. Parade stunt—Bend drum corps—Main street.
8:30 a. m. Parade stunt—Marshfield drum corps—Main street.
9:00 a. m. Parade stunt—Cottage Grove drum corps—Main street at Central.
9:30 a. m. Parade stunt—Portland drum corps—West Main street. Astoria drum corps—East Main street.
9:30 a. m. Opening session, Medford Armory (public invited).
1. Call to order, Horace L. Bromley, commander, Medford post.
2. Presentation of colors, Medford post drum corps.
3. Invocation, Rev. T. H. Temple, Medford.
4. "Star Spangled Banner," Caroline Andrews, accompanied by the Medford Elks band, director, F. Wilson Waite.
5. Selection by Medford Elks band.
6. Addresses of welcome.
(a) Paul B. McDonald, chairman, convention commission.
(b) Mayor O. O. Alenderfer, Medford.
(c) C. E. (Pop) Gates, southern Oregon.
7. Response—Mrs. Rose Wilcox, department president, American Legion Auxiliary.
8. Introduction of guests—George E. Love, department commander, American Legion.
9. Address.
11:00 a. m. Five minute recess, Auxiliary retiring.
1. Report of committee on credentials. Report of committee on committees. Report of national committeeman.
2. Reading of proposed constitutional amendments.
3. Reading of communications.
12:00 noon Adjournment. Meeting of delegation chairmen.
12:00 noon Parade stunt, Salem drum corps, Central avenue.
12:30 p. m. Parade stunt, Hood River drum corps, West Main street
1:00 p. m. Parade stunt, Eugene drum corps, East Main Street.
1:00 p. m. Band convert, City park, Sheridan post band.
1:20 p. m. Parade stunt, Corvallis drum corps, Main street.
1:30 p. m. Legion business session, Elks Temple.
Call to order by Department Commander George Love.
Report of department finance officer.
Report of department chaplain.
Report of justice advocate.
Department historian.
Report of chairman, aeronautics committee.
Report of chairman, Americanization committee.
Report of chairman, Boy Scout committee.
Report of chairman, Child Welfare committee.
Report of chairman, Community Service committee.
Report of chairman, hospitalization committee.
Report of chairman, land committee.
Report of chairman, legislation committee.
Report of chairman, membership committee.
Report of chairman, Pacific Legion advisory board.
Report of chairman, rehabilitation committee.
Report of chairman, transportation committee.
Report of chairman, C. M. T. C. committee.
Report of chairman, convention fact finding committee.
Report of chairman, Fidac.
1:30 p. m. Grande Promenade, 40 et 8—Armory.
2:30 p. m. Band concert, Albany Post band—fairgrounds.
3:00 p. m. Retirement of colors, adjournment of business session.
3:00 p. m. Air circus and stunt show, Jackson County fair grounds.
5:00 p. m. Meeting of drum majors of drum corps—Elks Temple.
5:00 p. m. Parade stunts—Enterprise drum corps.
6:00 p. m. Band concert, City Park—Sheridan Post band.
6:30 p. m. Parade stunt—La Grande drum corps—East Main street.
7:00 p. m. Parade stunt—Roseburg drum corps, So. Central avenue. Baker drum corps, West Main street.
8:00 p. m. Auxiliary reception to officers and distinguished guests. (University club).
8:30 p. m. Service parade.
9:00 p. m. Public dances—Hilarity Hall and Oriental Gardens.
9:30 p. m. Grande "Wreck" 40 et 8.
Golf tournament each day of the convention, with final scores turned in before 6:00 p. m. Saturday, August 4th.

Friday—August 3rd

8:00 a. m. Parade stunt—Baker drum corps—East Main street.
8:30 a. m. Parade stunt—La Grande drum corps—West Main street.
9:00 a. m. Parade stunt—Enterprise drum corps—Sixth and Central.
9:30 a. m. Parade stunt—Corvallis drum corps—Main street.
9:00 a. m. Convention business session—Elks Temple.
Call to order by department commander.
1. Advancement of colors.
2. Invocation, department chaplain.
3. Report of committee on time and place. Convention committees.
4. Addresses, distinguished guests.
12:00 noon Adjournment.
12:00 noon Parade stunt—Toledo Boy Scout drum corps—West Main.
12:30 p. m. Parade stunt—Cottage Grove Boy Scout drum corps—East Main street.
1:00 p. m. Band concert, City Park—Albany Post band.
1:00 p. m. Parade stunt—Tillamook Boy Scout drum corps—Riverside avenue.
1:00 p. m. Auxiliary quartet and Glee club contest—Elks Temple.
1:45 p. m. Legion business session.
1. Addresses, visiting department officials.
2. Reports of convention committees.
2:00 p. m. Band concert, Sheridan Post band—Fair grounds.
2:30 p. m. Baseball game—Salem Senators vs. Medford Merchants. Fair grounds.
4:45 p. m. Retirement of colors—Adjournment of business session.
5:00 p. m. Public initiation in City park conducted by Capital Post of Salem.
6:00 p. m. Band concert, Medford Elks band—City park.
7:30 p. m. Band concert, Albany Post band, Fair grounds.
7:45 p. m. Drum corps contest, Fair grounds, with the following entries: Portland, Eugene, Salem, Hood River, Bend, Astoria, La Grande, Baker, Corvallis, Cottage Grove, Roseburg, Marshfield Enterprise.
Exhibition drill—Medford Post drum corps.
Fireworks display—Hitt Fireworks Co.
9:30 p. m. Public dances, Hilarity hall, Oriental Gardens, and Fairgrounds pavilion.

Saturday—August 4th

8:00 a. m. Parade stunt—Portland drum corps—Main street.
8:30 a. m. Parade stunt—Cottage Grove drum corps—Main Street.
9:00 a. m. Parade stunt—Capitol Post drum corps (Salem).
9:00 a. m. Legion business session, Elks Temple.
Call to order by department commander.
1. Advancement of colors.
2. Invocation, department chaplain.
3. Report of convention committees. Trophy and awards committee.
4. Addresses—Distinguished guests.
5. Unfinished business.
6. Election of officers—Department commander; department vice-commander; department finance officer; department chaplain; district executive committeemen; delegates and alternates to 1928 national convention.
7. Retirement of colors and adjournment.
9:30 a. m. Parade stunt—Hood River drum corps.
12:00 noon Parade stunt—Roseburg drum corps.
1:00 p. m. Band concert—Medford Elks band, City park.
2:45 p. m. Aerial parade.
3:00 p. m. Patriotic pageant—Convention parade.
4:30 p. m. Meeting of new department executive committee.
6:30 p. m. Hood River drum corps reunion dinner.
7:30 p. m. Parade stunt—Astoria drum corps.
8:00 p. m. Parade stunts—Bend and Eugene drum corps.
8:30 p. m. Parade stunt—Marshfield drum corps.
8:30 p. m. Boxing smoker—Armory.
9:00 p. m. Public dances.

Sunday—August 5th

1:00 p. m. Departure of special trains.
8:00 a. m. Trips to Crater Lake and Oregon Caves.

Woman Soldier in Rebel Ranks Unknown Heroine at Gettysburg

GETTYSBURG, Pa. (P)—Sixty-five years have passed since the battle of Gettysburg, but even schoolboys have in mind the main events of the decisive struggle of the Civil war.

They know of Meade, thrust into command of a great army three days before it was to be drawn into one of the outstanding battles of a century; of Lee the beloved, cheered even by the wounded among his broken troops, despite failure and threatened disaster; Hancock, who shed his blood defending the fighting ground he had reported as "not unfavorable with good troops;" the taciturn Longstreet; and many more.

But there were some who played minor parts in the pageant, without military status and with no legitimate place in the picture, and also won their bit of fame.

Among these was John Burns, 70-year-old Gettysburg constable, who shouldered a musket on the memorable first day of July, 1863, and joined the skirmishers in the open field. He received three wounds, fighting with the Iron Brigade, and was taken prisoner, but he survived to be embraced by Abraham Lincoln.

Among the foreign visitors with the Army of Northern Virginia at Gettysburg was Lieut. Col. Fremantle of the Coldstream Guards, oldest regiment in the British army.

About noon on July 3, Fremantle and an Austrian visitor rode off in search of a commanding position from which to view the impending spectacle without being exposed to federal artillery fire. They headed for a cupola of a church near the town of Gettysburg. Before they reached the limits of town the artillery duel commenced and the earth trembled under the road. Somewhere on their way they had been joined by a 12-year-old son on horseback, and he was with the officers when they rode into a heavy cross-fire.

"This urchin," Colonel Fremantle recorded, "took a diabolical interest in the bursting of the shells, and screamed with delight when he saw them take effect."

The visiting officers did not view the hazard with the same enthusiasm as their young companion, and ewo shrapnel shells burst so near that a guide was hit, they decided to return to Longstreet's headquarters.

The boy they never saw again, where Armistead led the Virginians did they learn his name or destination.

The Confederate army had the "heroine" of Gettysburg. A single line of type in the official records of the war department is her epitaph.

Reporting two days after the battle, the burial of 1,628 Federal and Confederate dead at Gettysburg, Brig. Gen. William Hays concluded:

"Remarks: One female (private) in rebel uniform."

Who this girl or woman was, whence she came, with what command she fought, or by what trick of fate she was swept into the ranks of Lee's army are unanswered questions.

The woman may have followed ... ans, carrying his hat on the point of his sword, or she may have witnessed the massacre of color-bearers in Archer's Tennessee Brigade, but there is nothing like this to be certain about.

An inquiry addressed to the war department regarding this soldier woman brought this response from the office of the adjutant general:

"Nothing has been found of record in this office by which identity of the female (private) in rebel uniform) buried at Gettysburg and referred to in report of General Hays can be determined."

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