

ELKS OF WORLD FROLIC IN CLEVELAND

Thousands Jam Streets To Watch Great 6-Mile Colorful Parade

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Sept. 2.—(By Clarence Simmons for ANP)—Trucking, strutting, wing-footing and jaggly walking, the Great Elks marched to the blare of 20 bands over a 6-mile route that took five hours. The huge parade started at East 40th and Central avenue, and moved south along East 40 to Woodland through a densely crowded street of spectators.

When the marchers turned to the East on Woodland they were greeted by half of the Eastside colored population from East 40 to East 71st. From East 71st the parade moved to Quincy and out Quincy to East 100. Along Quincy avenue, more than 20,000 spectators lined the sidewalks, roof tops and windows. Many standing on top of autos, telegraph poles, boxes, chairs and even on fences.

At 65th and Central Avenue, in the heart of the Colored district, the huge crowd could hardly be stirred with a stick. Traffic police were stumped and made a bad job of directing. It was the worst traffic jam since the American Legion Convention. Traffic was jammed from Woodland and 55th to Carnegie, north and eastwards to East 100.

Automobiles, horns blaring, decorated with flying colors, lined the streets for miles in every direction. Mounted police were kept busy in their efforts to keep the crowd back. They had little success. Children, grown-ups, dogs and even a few stray cats were animated to the highest degree as they swayed, reeled and rocked their bodies with the rhythm of parade bands.

The marchers were led by a corps of motorcycle police followed by mounted policemen (18) and a unit of the Ohio National Guardsmen, Dr. J. Finley Wilson, grand exalted ruler of the LEOPE of W waved greet-

ings from his seat on the back of the auto provided him. Smiling Councilman Lawrence Payne, (Mayor) during the Elks Convention and general Chairman of the local convention committee, rode with him. Detective Harace Horney also rode the chief executive's car.

Mrs. Abbie M. Johnson, Grand Daughter Ruler of Philadelphia, rode high on the back of her machine. Riding with her were her secretary, Miss Pender Miller, Phila. Dr. Jeffe Jarrett, grand physician, and Mrs. Ella G. Berry, past grand Daughter Ruler of Chicago.

Perry B. Jackson, assistant police prosecutor and grand secretary of the Elks Convention, rode with Mrs. Lethia C. Fleming, the grand daughter ruler of the local Glenara Temple and an aspirant for grand vice. Riding in a closed sedan were the Spanish

executives—Claude J. Keys, the State organizer and Deputy No. 2 district from Florida, Jack P. Saldana, district deputy of GERNY district of New York, G. C. Valley of New York, grand organizer, and Dr. J. H. Westbrook of Denver, chairman of the judging committee. Also seen in the grand parade was Feature Editor of the Star Tribune John C. Minkins of Providence, R. I. The 68-year-old journalist was also one of the judges of the parade units.

A few of the celebrities on the grand which was erected directly in front of Central High School and 20 yards north of Glenara Temple, were Dr. Wilson, on his right were Senator and Mrs. J. P. Green, and Mrs. Fleming; on the left were "Mayor" Payne, in the extreme corner, Grand secretary and Mrs. James E. Kelly. Directly behind him were Sheriff Martin L. O'Donnell and Alex Bernstein.

Traveling south on East 55th came the marchers, bands and

floats. Such a spectacular scene hardly witnessed before in Cleveland, marched before the grandstand. Elks units, dressed in flamboyant colors, put on their best act before the Grand. The most lovely of these units were the ladies' drum corps Akron. Their uniforms were of bright orange and jet black, tapped off with black riding boots.

New York, although far from the days of 1926, sported a drill team second to none. Cincinnati and Philadelphia bearing up with the leaders. California, the unit from the farthest point, was as well as was the Spanish unit. It was two hours later when the last of the procession passed the grand stand. Spectators followed the last units to the Port-Outvaite Recreational Center where they watched field drills and heard drum concerts.

At the Grand Ball which started at 9:30 Dr. Wilson presented a trophy to Imperial Lodge, New York for having the best band in the parade. Mary Exalted Temple of Akron was announced the best dressed team; Hiawatha Temple, Los Angeles, the marching unit coming from the longest distance, and the Morning Star Temple, Washington, the largest marching unit.

The grand ball was held at Cleveland Public Hall. The celebrators filled the huge hall and shuffled and double-shuffled as though there had not been a parade to the rhythm of Fletcher Henderson and his band. Leaving the hall the crowd of dancers made their way to the general headquarters at 2.91 East 55th, and down stairs to the bar and grill room. There the Cleveland Harlem Stompers blared out its popular and swing tunes to the delight of the late comers.

A floor show greeted those who ventured into the basement at the Glenara Temple at 2220 E. 55th. The Spirits of Ohio at East 49th and Central was crowded to capacity, as was the King Tut at East 57th and Scovill. It was the early hours of the morning before the celebrants departed for their homes, surprised to meet the milk man on their steps.

While many of the visitors

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MISS ELEANOR SELLARS of Chapel Hill, has recently returned from vacationing in Washington, D. C. Miss Sellars is a former student of Hampton Institute and now of North Carolina College for Negroes. She will resume her studies at the latter college this fall.

elled and shouted at the 372d Infantry Hall Monday night as they witnessed the Wilbur Hayes 40-round boxing card. East Technical High School was filled to capacity for the oratorical contest.

Daughter Ruler Johnson addressed the mammoth crowd as well as Grand Exalted Ruler Wilson. Shouts, applause, and "Hello Bill" greeted the high executives as they were introduced. The "Mayor" was present and the acting "Chief of Police" with a goodly number of his men on duty.

Miss Virginia Moss of Washington was judged winner of the Elks of the World national oratorical contest. Finalist from 4 other districts were William T. Patrick, Jr., Detroit; Walter Daniels, Macon, Ga.; Miss Frances Perkins, Kansas City; and Ernest J. Wilson, Jr., of Phila. Patrick was runner-up while the others were (thirds). William

Thornton, Jackson, Miss., was eliminated by Grand Education Commissioner W. H. Hueston of Washington for being more than 19, the age limit.

Each of the four speakers was winner of a four-year college scholarship.

Commenting the program Atty Perry B. Jackson said. "The education department has become one of the prized activities of our order. Take the most sportive Elk and he'll want to tell you about the scholarships we give away."

Chief Harris said that no trouble had been reported, although there were more than 22,000 Elk visitors here.

FILIBUSTER BALKS ANTI-LYNCH DRIVE

WASHINGTON — (PFS) — Contributing to the legislative chaos which last week projected adjournment of Congress more

Sepian Swing Session Is Terminated Terrifically

FARM DEMONSTRATION AGENT FINDS RURAL WORK FASCINATING

Gibbsland, La.—"The fascination of working with rural people," said Miss Valley C. Jordan, Home Demonstration Agent here, "is in the constant resourcefulness which one encounters among the farm people."

Miss Jordan was describing the annual 4-H Club Achievement Day in Beville Parish, which is conducted as part of her program. Teams of 4-H Club boys and girls from several communities conducted the following competition demonstrations: jelly-making, pruning tomatoes, planning a garden, saving garden seed, canning non-acid foods, making a cutting bed, feeding the sick, unusual uses of soap.

First prize went to the 4-H team from Wilson Community for a demonstration on new uses for soap; second prize to the Mt. Lebanon team for "Feeding the Sick," and the third prize to Midway for "Constructing a cutting bed."

The first prize winners introduced new uses for soap for win-

By Marion Marshall (For Paramount Features)

PASSAIC, N. J. There is somewhere in North Passaic a group of good Negro swing-inclined ladies and gentlemen who are a bit chagrined at the way their swiny-session of last Tuesday ended. But if they are good humored they realize that theirs was an experience that truly ended with a bang.

Remember how ferociously humid was the humidity. Well, it all happened last Tuesday. 'twas this same heat which made our group of swingsters in Main avenue near Harrison street, decided to take it good and easy.

Their first move was to migrate to the apartment of a good friend who was the proud possessor of a piano. Sitting down at the instrument one of the gents started to go to town—a bit beginning a good old-fashioned jamboree. For some reason or other the swingsters picked up on that liting, delightfully foolish melody. "The Merry-Go-Round Broke Down." They all joined in the chorus and Main avenue resounded with what might have been called harmony: "Oh, the merry-go-round broke down, bum, bum."

What makes this story began with a knock on the door. "Who's there?" demanded a voice from within. "Piano movers, We got orders down, bum, bum."

down cleaning with a solution of soap and kerosene, with excellent results. They also showed how a mild solution of soap and water may be used to remove dust from leaves of flowers and bring out the natural beauty.

Supporters of anti-lynch legislation gained a slight edge over their opponents, however, in the refusal of the Senate to adjourn. Adjournment would have meant termination of the battle for the present. The motion was left before the Senate as "unfinished business."

to take the piano," replied the voice outside.

The door was opened and in lumbered several harley piano movers armed with block and tackle.

The harmony group watched in wistful silence as the business like movers started on their grim duty of removing the piano via the window. The foreman's heart must have been touched:

"Sorry to have to do this," he mumbled, "but you know it ain't paid for."

The piano by this time had been lifted to the window sill. Momentarily the piano rested dangerously on the sill. Ropes were attached. Then it swung into space. Suddenly there was heard a disheartening creaking of the ropes. The ground crew below shouted and rushed for safety. The last strand of rope snapped and the prized piano descended majestically and ponderously three stories and settled light on the Main avenue sidewalk smashing into hundreds of pieces.

The piano movers, indulging in some fancy lingo, scratched their heads, wondering whose move it was. The swingsters crowded at the window and let themselves go in ribbons laughter. Tears streamed down their cheeks.

"Whose going to pay for it now?" they shouted.

"Oh the merry-go-round broke down, bum, bum."

ITALY WITHDRAWS TROOPS FROM ETHIOPIA TO GO TO CHINA

ADDIS ABABA, Sept. 1.—(ANP)—The first battalion of Italy's 10th Grenadiers' regiment about 1,000 men, left Tuesday for Massawa, port on the Red Sea, to embark for Shanghai to protect Italian interests and citizens in the China-Japanese war zone.

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