

THE GREAT AMERICAN HOME



In addition to the convention entertainment planned at San Antonio, side trips will be conducted to various points on the border. One will cover Corpus Christi and the principal towns of the Magic Valley of the Lower Rio Grande, ending up with a Spanish celebration at Matamoros. Others will go to Nuevo Laredo and Piedras Negras, where bull fights will be staged and a Spanish fiesta held. Elaborate preparations are being made for these.

REVIEW OF OUR CONVENTIONS

With the approach of the two great national conventions, it is an interesting thing to review the past conventions, since the first was held in the year 1856.

From the beginning the Republicans have cast a total of 90 ballots while the Democrats have displayed a much more vigorous fight before naming their party leaders, and have marked up 316 ballots.

Probably the most spirited convention was in 1924, when Davis was nominated on the 103rd ballot and the country may go a long time before the number of ballots will ever equal that convention. The highest number of ballots ever required to nominate at the Republican convention was in 1880 when Garfield was the choice on the 56th ballot.

With the two conventions again the office the parties may both place a leader in nomination on the first ballot, or they may spend some time and chalk up a long list of ballots before a selection is made. The time has only been on a few occasions that the conventions have named a leader on the first ballot.

A review of these conventions since the first in 1856, shows the following, with the first named at each convention being the Republican candidate, and the second named, the Democrat:

- 1856—Fremont on first; Buchanan on seventeenth.
- 1860—Lincoln on third; Breckenridge on first; Douglas on Fifty-ninth.
- 1864—Lincoln on first; McClellan on first.
- 1868—Grant on first; Seymour on twenty-second.
- 1872—Grant on first; Greeley on first.
- 1876—Hayes on seventh; Tilden on second.
- 1880—Garfield on thirty-sixth; Hancock on second.
- 1884—Blaine on fourth; Cleveland on second.
- 1888—Harrison on eighth; Cleveland on first.
- 1892—Harrison on first; Cleveland on first.
- 1896—McKinley on first; Bryan on fifth.
- 1900—McKinley on first; Bryan on first.
- 1904—Roosevelt on first; Parker on first.
- 1908—Taft on first; Bryan on first.
- 1912—Taft on first; Wilson on forty-sixth.
- 1916—Hughes on third; Wilson on first.
- 1920—Harding on tenth; Cox on forty-fourth.
- 1924—Coolidge on first; Davis on one hundred and third.



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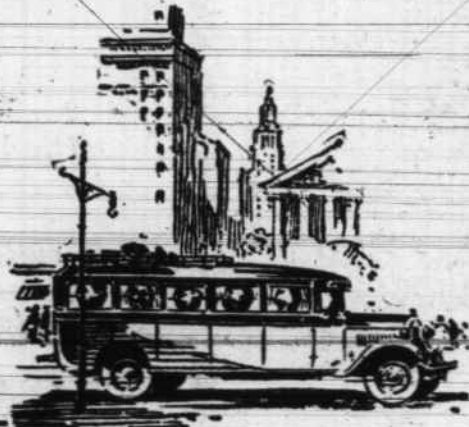
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AMERICAN LEGION NATIONAL CONVENTION BUREAU

San Antonio, Tex., April 16.—The national convention of the American Legion and its Auxiliary, to be held here October 8 to 12, will surpass in wealth of entertainment, in interest and in notable events the great convention held by the organization in Paris last year, according to National Adjutant James F. Barton.

Barton, here to check over plans for the convention, expressed himself as especially well pleased with the convention entertainment program.

Entertainment features include a world's championship rodeo with the biggest prize money of the year and the leading cowboy and cowgirl contenders, a decision prize fight at Fort Sam Houston with two principal contenders for the world's welterweight title, spectacular battle exercises by the Second Division using tanks, airplanes, liquid fire and all the latest methods of warfare, the greatest air circus ever staged in America.

Other entertainment specialties will be a Broadway show, a Mexican revue with the best actors, singers and dancers from the City of Mexico, the famous City of Mexico Police Band.

More than 100 Legion bands and drum corps from all parts of the United States are expected to be in attendance at the convention, according to Phillip B. Stapp, general convention director. Distinguished visitors from abroad and leaders in many fields of American life will be present.

To the convention parade, always a spectacular affair with its thousands of marching men and women, the entire day of Tuesday, October 9, will be devoted, Mr. Barton decided. The marching columns will be reviewed on historic Alamo Plaza, where stands the Alamo, cradle of Texas liberty.

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