

THE ELKS ELECT OFFICERS

TO MEET NEXT IN LOS ANGELES

A Hot Contest Waged Over the Choice of the Next Convention City—The Annual Report of the Grand Exalted Ruler Makes a Good Showing For the Order—The Officers, Except One, Are Elected by Acclamation—35,000 People Served With Good Things to Eat and Drink at the Big Barbecue.

Dallas, Tex., July 14.—Grand Exalted Ruler, Rush L. Holland, Colorado Springs, Col.

Grand Esteemed Leading Knight, John G. Shea, Hartford, Conn.

Grand Esteemed Loyal Knight, A. M. MacLewee, Fort Worth, Tex.

A HOT CONTEST

The selection of the 1909 convention city was hotly contested between Los Angeles and Detroit, the former winning by a fair-sized majority.

It was nearly 11 o'clock before the members of the grand lodge got down to business in their session at the Dallas opera house this morning.

Shortly after the opening session the Guthrie, Okla., lodge, through J. A. Kneigley, presented to the grand lodge a beautiful flag, prominence being made by the speaker to the 46th star, representing Oklahoma.

First in order of business was the submission of reports from the various officers, all of which were read.

EXALTED RULER'S REPORT

The annual report of the grand exalted ruler, John K. Tener, of Charleston, Pa., shows that during the year, lodges revived by affiliation, 10,170; total, 46,245 members, 264 were suspended or expelled, 8,208 were stricken from the rolls for non-payment of dues, 5,388 demitted and 2,718 died.

Forty-four new lodges have been added to the list, with an increase of 29,789 in membership, making the total number of lodges, 1,125, with a total membership of 254,321.

The report shows that 98 members of the grand lodge died since the Philadelphia meeting.

Grand Treasurer Edward Leach's report, under date of June 10th, shows a balance on hand of \$100,029.

Total receipts were \$224,515, with disbursements of \$124,483.

The report of the grand trustees deals with the Elks National Home at length, showing but one death during the last year, 32 residents at the home and the average age of such residents at 64 years.

At 11 o'clock tomorrow will be held the "session of sorrow" for deceased members.

ELECTRIC POWER ASSURED

Development of Property That Will Give Hickory "Juce" Will Be Begun Immediately After Deal Is Closed This Week—Forward Step in Industrial Life of That Region.

Hickory, July 14.—Electric power furnished to Hickory is not an assured fact unless some complications arise.

Negotiations have been on foot for some time for the development of the Horse-ford shoul on the Catawba river, which has been the subject of stock subscriptions and, except for a few minor details, everything is ready for the development of this property which will furnish electric power to Hickory.

For several years Col. M. E. Thornton and associates have worked untiringly for the development of this property. Others have secured options and the property has been sought after by many capitalists, it being very valuable on account of its being situated so near the city.

PROHIBITION HOSTS ASSEMBLE

Seventeen Presidential Possibilities With Ears to the Ground Indicate That There Will Be a Lively Contest—Platform Will Be Brief—May Endorse Woman Suffrage.

Columbus, O., July 14.—A majority of the fifteen hundred delegates to the prohibition national convention and many more visitors are in the city to-night and the lobbies have taken on a real convention aspect.

Escorting the delegations from the union station to the hotel to which they were assigned, a decorated water wagon drawn by four white horses, emblematic of the prohibition States of the Union and followed by a music band, was the first sight to greet the delegates.

With seventeen names in the list of candidates the contest for the nomination of President to-night takes on an interesting aspect.

Numerous drafts of the platform have been prepared and will be presented to the committee tomorrow. The sentiment to-night is that the platform will be reasonably brief.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE SQUELCHED

Ohio Prohibitionists Snow Under Movement—Full State Ticket Nominated.

Columbus, O., July 14.—The Ohio prohibition convention to-day adopted a platform and nominated a full state ticket. Woman's suffrage was sidetracked by an overwhelming vote.

Temporary chairman H. L. Peeke, of Sandusky, whose keynote address Monday included a direct attack on woman's suffrage, was defeated as a candidate for member of the national committee.

Aaron S. Watkins, of Ada, O., was nominated for Governor and J. R. Weston, of Hamilton county, was named for Lieutenant Governor.

The platform as reported to the convention by Rev. Harry F. McClain, of Portage county, chairman of the resolutions committee, declared for prohibition, while his opposition to woman suffrage carried the convention.

John Jacob, of Marion, moved to add the word "without regard to sex" and a warm debate ensued, in which it was brought out that the party leaders thought to emphasize the suffrage plank would hurt the party in the campaign.

The platform as adopted, reaffirms the time-honored principles of the party as handed down by its founder, Thomas Jefferson, and as exemplified by its present great leader and exponent, Abraham Lincoln.

On the liquor question the resolutions say: "We expressly approve and endorse all the temperance legislation now on the statute books of the State and pledge our party to take no backward step on these questions, but to extend and apply those laws to all portions of the State not now embraced therein whenever the people of the communities to be affected thereby, give their consent, believing they have the right to determine this question for themselves."

It also favors the strict enforcement of all existing laws relating to the sale of liquor, and the enactment of such additional penalties as will effectively prevent infractions by the withdrawal and forfeiture of the license of those who are guilty of violating the laws.

HAYWOOD COURT CONVENS

Jury Told to Punish Boys Who Rock School House—Institute For Teachers Being Held.

Waynesville, July 14.—The regular July term of Superior Court convened here yesterday at 10 o'clock, Judge R. B. Peedles presiding.

He docketed a very short and concise charge to the grand jury. Among other things that he spoke of in his charge, he mentioned the practice which prevails in some communities of throwing stones and sometimes other missiles through the windows of school houses and otherwise damaging public buildings.

At the academy here the teachers of Haywood county meet daily in the institute. Prof. W. D. Carmichael, of Durham, is conducting the institute. About ninety teachers are in attendance and all seem to be enthusiastic in the work.

Haywood begins the first Monday in August, and the annual examinations begin Friday of this week.

POWER CONCERN CHANGES

Buckhorn Falls Power Company to Be Called Carolina Light & Power Company—New Yorkers the Principal Stockholders and Offices Will Be at Raleigh—Mutual Hardware Insurance Companies in Bad Standing.

Observer Bureau, Raleigh, July 14.—An important step was taken to-day, when the stockholders of the Central Carolina Power Company, which built and operates the electric power plant at Buckhorn Falls, on the Cape Fear river, to change its name to the Carolina Light & Power Company; to change its office from Fayetteville to Raleigh; and to increase its authorized capital stock from one million to three and three-quarter million dollars.

Of this two and a half million are to be common stock and one and one-quarter million preferred stock, carrying 6 per cent. The Electric Bond & Share Company is the principal stockholder. James D. Mortimer and G. J. Anderson, of New York City, are the president and secretary-treasurer, respectively.

Brown Shepherd is the attorney for the company here and Egbert Douglas is its special representative. This is the most important charter issued or amended during the current year and marks a great development for this company.

Insurance Commissioner Young has inquired from various parts of the State about the standing of certain mutual hardware insurance companies, and whether they are licensed to do business here, and is told that W. G. Lewis, secretary of two such companies, is sending circulars everywhere, asking hardware dealers to give him their insurance.

Commissioner Young supposes Lewis is the same man who was recently booked to make an address before the Hardware Dealers' Association at its convention at Wilmington. Neither of these companies is licensed to do business here and any contract they make is void and any citizen insuring with them will be at their mercy; could not get service on them and if he did could not enforce the contract in the State courts.

State Democratic headquarters will be at Raleigh and will probably be in August. It is the general impression that A. H. Eller, of Winston-Salem, will be State chairman.

ROCKINGHAM NEWS NOTES

Rapid Work Being Done at Hewitt's Falls—Many Indications of Rockingham's Industrial Progress.

Rockingham, July 14.—Work is rapidly proceeding at Hewitt's Falls, which will when completed place at the command of the industrial world 20,000 electrical horse-power.

The town is improving and enlarging the graded schools, installing a waterworks system and a sewerage system, has recently paved the streets of the town and good roads radiate out from Rockingham for a distance of eight or ten miles.

"The Rockingham," a magnificent forty-six room hotel, designed by Mr. John Kewan Peebles, the designer of the Monticello at Norfolk and the Jefferson at Richmond, is under way on the old Hotel Richmond corner.

Plans are about matured for a foundry and several parties are interested in behalf of a cotton seed oil mill and ice factory and wood working plant and a steam laundry.

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THE HEAT WAVE BROKEN

Severe Electrical Storm Sweeps Over New York City, But Does Not Add to the Heat Death Roll—Storm Accompanied by Hail.

New York, July 14.—The tropical heat spell which has enveloped New York for nearly three weeks, killing over three scores of persons and prostrating hundreds, was broken to-day when a severe electrical storm, accompanied by hail and rain, swept over the city.

The whole city was wrapped in darkness by heavy black clouds during the storm and lightning played incessantly. One bolt struck and set fire to the five-story brick factory of the Green Point Metallic Paint Company in Williamsburg, and burned it to the ground.

There was a panic among the employes and several were hurt in the rush to escape. One of the company buildings in the New York navy yard was struck by lightning and set afire.

Hail stones nearly an inch in diameter fell during the storm, breaking windows in elevated trains and ferry boats.

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