

The Forward Observation Post

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The Fourth National Convention of the American Legion adjourned in New Orleans last Friday afternoon. As to numbers of visitors, and in the opinion of many, was the greatest convention thus far held by the Veterans of the Great War. As to numbers of visitors in the convention city and distinguished guests, it was behind the third convention held at Kansas City, but as to work done, the New Orleans convention has not been surpassed.

From a North Carolina viewpoint, the high spots were the decoration of the Department Colors by the National Commander, for taking third place in the membership percentage contest, the election of Alvin M. Owsley of Texas, National Commander, the election of Mrs. T. W. Birch of Salisbury as the National Treasurer of the Auxiliary 40-8, the honor awarded the North Carolina State at the Auxiliary States dinner, and the election of Dr. Kate W. Barrett of Virginia, National President.

Charlie Sloan represented North Carolina in the solid South caucus and led the campaign for Owsley. The convention number of the year, distributed at the convention, carried a picture of the Texas as the North Carolina Candidate.

Horseback Haworth, of High Point, who bore the Department Colors in the parade, carried them to the forum Thursday morning, where they were decorated by Hanford McSider, National Commander, for holding third place in the parade. Our own Lilly Burk, Mrs. E. W. Salisbury, was elected National Treasurer of the auxiliary section of the 40-8, which was authorized at the convention. She, with Mrs. Northcutt, Department President, were largely responsible for the excellent showing made for the State at the Auxiliary States dinner. The North Carolina State was photographed with National President, Mrs. Hobart pointing to the date of Mecklenburg Declaration, North Carolina, course, was glad to support the successful candidacy of Dr. Kate Barrett, for National President. She, like Owsley, was elected on the first ballot.

Department Commander James A. Lockhart, appointed Wade Phillips, of Lexington, Chairman of the delegation, and the Department Adjutant served as Secretary. Pointing down ahead of the special train, the Secretary attended the meetings of the committee on permanent organization, rules and credentials. Before the latter committee, he won a contest and secured the seating of the State's full delegation of 15, which with the vote of National Executive Committeeman, Cale K. Burgess, gave the State a voting strength of 16. Dr. G. G. Dickson, of Ayden, was assistant Sergeant at Arms, and the following Tar Heels represented the State on the various committees: Rehabilitation, Dr. I. T. Mann; Resolutions, Wade Phillips; Legislation, Robert H. Rouse; Americanism, C. C. Smithdeal; Finance, Cale K. Burgess; Internal Organization, R. E. Denny; Naval Affairs, W. Rouse; Military Affairs, W. Hardin, Jr.; Constitutional Amendments, J. A. Lockhart. Time the place of next meeting, Oliver Smith.

According to the best records, 115 Tar Heels attended the convention. Through the special courtesy of Hal Thompson, manager of the St. Charles Hotel, most of the North Carolinians were housed there, though it was first announced that only delegates would be taken. Tuesday night in banquet hall "A" of the St. Charles, the North Carolinians held a meeting in which was combined some matters of business, with song and yell practice, led by Bill Bain of

Greensboro, and a general get-together.

Immediately after the adjournment of the convention, Commander Lockhart, appointed Oliver Smith, of Raleigh, Chairman of a "Go to San Francisco" Committee and immediately plans for a strong delegation to the Golden West were laid.

Department Headquarters is preparing a list of all who attended the convention and expects to make this list of Legionnaires a minute men's organization for anything necessary to advance the Legion in the State.

Ammunition For Celebrations

The ordinance officer at Fort McPherson, has notified headquarters that he is ready to supply Posts at a most reasonable charge with ammunition (blank caliber .38 model 1898) for Armistice Day celebration. Posts should make their orders immediately.

In addition to those already announced, headquarters has been notified of elaborate Armistice Day preparations having been made at Asheville by the American Legion, and the 1st and 3rd divisions. All Veterans are especially invited to Asheville on the 11th. Jack Stevens, of Greensboro, has a committee making plans for an Armistice Day celebration in that city. Wilmington, Charlotte, Gastonia and many other cities have made similar reports. Department Headquarters is ready with assistance from its speakers' bureau, for any inquiring Posts. A small quantity of poppies are on hand for Armistice Day sales. In many sections of the State, the Legion will spend a good part of its day assisting the communities in the annual Red Cross roll call.

Armistice Day celebration will, in many instances be the last big job of this year's officers, and many Posts will elect their leaders for 1923 in November. This early election will be a great advantage, in that renewals of membership secured before January 1 will make an excellent working force for the 1923 membership campaign.

One Hundredth Active Post

It is with great pleasure that announcement is made of receipt of application for the Chas. Dearling Post, No. 145 at Apex. This baby Post rounds out our active number to one hundred. Though a baby in age, and organized in a small town, the Post turns in a charter membership of 49 Legionnaires. As further evidence of the excellent beginning made by this Post, two of its members, O. T. Johnson, and W. H. Baucum attended the National Convention at New Orleans. Assistance was given the Apex Veterans in their organization by a party of Legionnaires from Raleigh, headed by Dan Terry. Watch our new baby grow!

Department Commanded James A. Lockhart, announces the appointment of the following Chairmen of Committees to serve for the year ending at the adjournment of the Rocky Mount Convention: Hospital Committee, Dr. E. A. Lockhart, Winston-Salem; Service Officer, Dr. I. T. Mann, High Point; Americanism Commission, R. R. Williams, Asheville; Legislative, Frank L. Dunlap, Wadesboro.

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SOME THINGS THE PUBLIC OUGHT TO KNOW

THE INTRODUCTION OF YELLOW CABS INTO Asheville has resulted in the inauguration of a widespread propaganda, designed to discredit this MODERN SERVICE in the minds of those to whom it caters

FRANKLY, THIS WAS NOT UNEXPECTED. YELLOW CAB experience in "breaking in" in other cities has demonstrated the fact that they arouse bitter opposition in some circles. This "Underground stuff"—these rumors, these "fake" calls which take our cabs to distant parts of the city, are all a part of what we EXPECTED to go thru when we decided to GIVE ASHEVILLE A MODERN PUBLIC SERVICE SYSTEM.

AS AN EXAMPLE OF THE EFFORT THAT IS BEING made to stem the tide of YELLOW CAB popularity, one local hotel has issued instructions that call for the discharge of any employe who CALLS A YELLOW, even tho requested by a guest. WE WERE TOLD THIS BY SEVERAL MEN WHO WALKED TO OUR OFFICE WHEN THE HOTEL CLERK TOLD THEM THEY WERE NOT ALLOWED TO CALL YELLOW CABS TO THAT HOTEL.

THE "FAKE" CALLS ABOVE REFERRED TO are daily occurrences. They are made by the same grade of person who thinks it fun to call out the Fire Department on a false alarm—and our cabs make many useless trips as a result. YET OUR SERVICE HAS PROVED TO BE SPEEDY AND RELIABLE IN SPITE OF THAT.

ACCIDENTS WILL HAPPEN. DURING ONE Month's time, a YELLOW CAB will cover an average of 3,000 miles, compared to the 5,000 miles which is the average of a private car during ONE YEAR. It is hardly possible to expect a car to cover 36,000 miles in a year and not have accidents. We freely admit that we have accidents—BUT we have yet to have an accident in which we were to blame. (We doubt whether there is anyone else who will be so frank as to admit their liability to accidents.)

TO ILLUSTRATE THE PETTINESS OF THIS ANIMOSITY, we cite this: Our drivers are continually abused with such epithets as "Yellow Scab," "Yellow Crab," and the like.

IT IS ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE FOR ANY FIRM to secure a personnel that is 100% perfect. However, we do say this about THE YELLOW CAB SYSTEM—it is such that incompetency quickly reveals itself and we get rid of the incompetent. Our personnel is unusually high in percentage of CHARACTER, ABILITY and DEPENDABILITY.

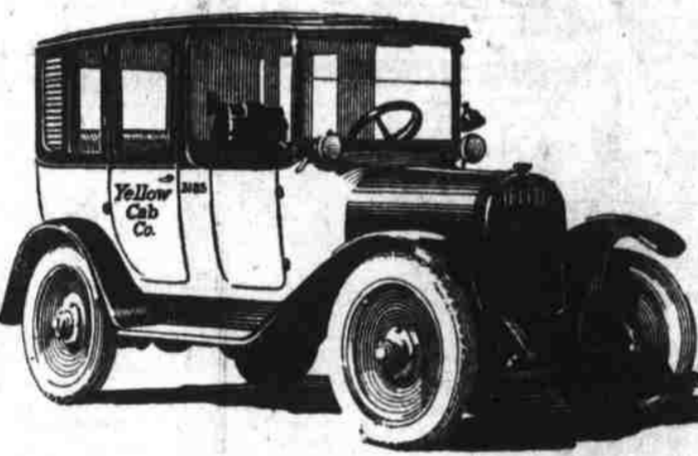
WE TELL THESE THINGS THAT OUR PUBLIC MAY BE fully informed as to the handicaps under which we operate—and that they may appreciate the fact that our service remains unimpaired in any respect as the result of these attempts to impede it.

YELLOW CABS ARE HERE TO STAY! IT WILL take more than rumor, false alarms, and the like to even hinder their advance in Public Favor. Those whom they serve are best able to judge the Service.

THE FIRM OPERATING YELLOW CABS IS COMPOSED OF RESPONSIBLE men who are working toward the best interests of their patrons and the city in which they live. They brought YELLOW CABS to Asheville because THEY WERE NEEDED — and they have proved their ability to FILL that need.

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