

## ARRIVING BY TRAIN AND BOAT

### Christian Endeavorers Are Gathering in This City

### FOR ANNUAL STATE CONVENTION

### Colors of Red and White Seen on Every Hand Program of Exercises Tonight at the Armory Hall.

The Christian Endeavor State convention opens this evening at the Armory. This will undoubtedly be the largest of the many assemblies that have convened in Seattle this summer. In point of numbers and importance, it will also rank first among the Christian Endeavor conventions of the past few years. Yesterday delegates arrived from Gray's Harbor and the Eastern part of the state to the number of nearly 100.

They were received and cared for by the local committee on entertainment, who have been working hard during the past two weeks. Today delegates have been arriving on every boat and train, and the streets are becoming crowded with Endeavorers. The various badges and the society colors, red and white, are seen on every side.

The visiting delegates, on arrival, are registering at Plymouth church—the convention headquarters. The Armory has been secured for night sessions, while the church is to be used during the day. Both places have been beautifully decorated.

At Plymouth church, the large auditorium is draped with the Endeavor colors. The windows are festooned with English ivy, and about the platform the colors hang in graceful folds, while a large American flag hangs to the right of the place to be occupied by the choir. The Armory is a mass of bunting, flags and evergreens. The gallery and stairs are draped in red and white, among which the C. E. banners are crossed. The ceiling is a mass of evergreens and bunting; while the choir seats in front are covered with red and white. A large American flag occupies the background.

Much care has been taken in arranging the programs for the various sessions. In addition to a large number of well-known state and local speakers, the convention will be addressed by Rev. Ira B. Landreth, of Nashville, Tenn., and Rev. B. B. Tyler, of New York, both gentlemen of national reputation.

The music will be a special feature of unusual merit. Some of Seattle's best soloists will sing. The chorus of 500 voices will render portions of "The Holy City," beside other impressive selections. The daily programs will also be well filled with musical numbers.

The program tonight will include an address by Rev. Ira B. Landreth, on "The Christian Endeavor Movement." Rev. B. B. Tyler will conduct a "Quiet Hour" service. The large chorus, in addition to a portion of "The Holy City," will render "No Shadows Yonder," with a tenor solo by Mr. G. A. Edmunds, "For Thee, O Dear, Dear Country," and "Thine Is Kingdom." Mrs. G. A. Edmunds will also favor the assembly with a soprano solo.

Over 1500 delegates will be in attendance at the convention. Arrangements are being made to entertain the entire number, the local committees having put forth their utmost efforts to that end.

A reception committee of eight members is meeting every boat and train, and the delegates as they arrive are being registered and assigned to quarters.

The entertainment committee consists of: J. J. Sloan, chairman; sub-chairmen—Walter W. Clark, A. A. Robinson, Miss Emma Brown, Thomas Low, and Mrs. A. T. Friend; committee—Messrs. Milton Wittler, and Max Bruhat, Misses Campbell, Shearson, Turner, Clara Biglow, Luella Dyer, and Ellen Armour, Mesdames Chandler, B. H. Houtz, Messrs. G. C. Cohn and James Costabile, Misses Alice Muldoon, Halloway, Mary Walker, Mabel Longfellow, Marie Ames, Maude Seymour, McIntosh, and Amy Smith.

Up to the hour of going to press about 150 delegates to the convention had registered at the Plymouth church. Fully 1200 delegates are expected, and Tacoma will, it is stated, send over about 100 tonight. The following number have registered from different places in the state: Olympia, 14; North Yakima, 12; Uak, 3; Spokane, 15; Coupeville, 6; and Dayton, 2.

## MYSTERIOUS DEATH OF A YOUNG GIRL

A death around which hangs a deep mystery, occurred this morning on Thirty-first avenue, near Yesler way.

A young girl, dishonored, attempted save herself from public disgrace, and unwittingly took her own life. Just before she died she stated that her name was Flora Jones, and that she lived in Victoria.

When the girl arrived in the city recently she was in a delicate condition, and very dependent. She secured a room near Yesler way, and the landlady took care of her. Several times Miss Jones stated her desire to die, but made no attempt to do away with herself.

This morning, however, she was found, in a dying condition, and doctors Randall, Gibson and Bories were hastily called. They did everything in their power to save the girl, but she rapidly sank, and within a short time breathed her last.

The doctor's report to the city authorities that she "died of peritonitis, brought on by self-infliction." Several days ago Miss Jones stated to her landlady that she was an orphan and without friends, but this statement is not altogether believed. Coroner Sparling is investigating the case, and more developments are expected. The girl's personal effects consisted of some clothing, a card bearing the address of a Pike street lodging house, also one, the address of the Stephenson hotel, and found, in a dying condition, in money.

## TWO LITTLE CHILDREN HAVE NARROW ESCAPES

The city police are on their mettle this afternoon, for they are attempting to run to earth a young scoundrel, for whom tar and feathers would be a light punishment.

At noon today a man named A. N. Kent reported to the police that a lady had interrupted a young man at the foot of Mercer street, in North Seattle yesterday afternoon, just when he was about to commit a dastardly crime.

## STILL ANOTHER GUY GETS INTO TROUBLE

Great excitement reigns in the Italian quarters of Seattle over the alleged abduction of Theresa Woolery, a beautiful young Italian girl. Last night Joe Gross, an Italian, was arrested on a charge of threatening to kill Harry Woolery, the girl's father. Woolery was in a boat, claiming that he had hidden his daughter somewhere, and asked him where the girl was. Gross declined to give any information, and it is claimed made a threat on Woolery's life.

Theresa's whereabouts are not known, but she is supposed to be residing with some acquaintances. Gross has been convicted, and served a term in jail.

## ELECTING OFFICERS

### The G.A.R. Contestants for Honors.

### GATHER THEIR FORCES

### A Spirited Contest at Ranke Hall.

### SONS OF VETERANS ALSO ELECT

### And Arrange to Adjourn Since Die This Afternoon.

### WOMEN'S RELIEF CORPS BALLOT

### Will Select Their Officers—Considerable Business is Transacted—All Tonight and Climax Tomorrow.

Although the G. A. R. convention adjourned yesterday to meet at 10 o'clock this morning, it was deemed advisable, on account of the large volume of business to be disposed of today, to meet an hour earlier. Delegates were accordingly notified last evening that the hour for convening would be 9 o'clock. At that hour this morning Commander Tibbets called the convention to order. The regular routine of business was taken up, which at 11 o'clock gave way to the report of recommendations of the council of administration, which was read and discussed.

Shortly after noon all business of the order had been completed, except the election of officers. This matter came up at 2 o'clock this afternoon, and after the election the officers will be installed.

Energy in the canvass for various candidates for the office of department commander was redoubled this morning, and there is every evidence that there will be a spirited contest for the post of honor this afternoon. While there are other candidates in the field, it is generally understood that the contest will center in Geo. B. Lane, of Olympia; A. S. Cole, of Whatcom; and J. W. Langley, of Seattle.

Mr. Langley shows considerable strength, although the argument is advanced against him that Seattle has had more than its share of representation, the present commander being practically a Seattle man. Geo. B. Lane will receive the almost unanimous support of Stevens Post, while Miller Post will give its votes to Comrade O. S. Cole.

The Sons of Veterans met this morning in convention at 9:30 o'clock. The first business was the appointment by the commander of a committee on resolutions. The tenure of the office of divisional quartermaster was changed from one to three years, and the office was made elective.

The committee on resolution returned a report endorsing the course of the administration, and warmly thanking the citizens of Seattle for their welcome. A committee of the W. R. C., presenting greetings, was received.

The next business taken up was the election of division officers for the ensuing term, all candidates being elected unanimously. The officers elected are as follows: Commander, Chas. E. Plimpton; senior vice-commander, B. E. York; junior vice-commander, F. E. Pele; quartermaster, C. V. Savidge; division council, A. Locke, A. P. Smith, and C. W. Baremore; delegates to the National encampment, H. H. Hubbard and G. S. Hooker.

After the election of officers, the convention adjourned to meet at 2 o'clock and dispose of what little business remained.

The Women's Relief Corps continued its session today in Elks hall and transacted routine work entirely. The secretary's books show that the order contains 1109 members in this state. It is generally supposed that only wives of Grand Army men are eligible, but this is a mistake. All loyal women of good character may become members. This is the

largest encampment ever held, there being 478 women registered. This afternoon the session is being devoted to the election and installation of officers for the coming year.

This afternoon the following officers were elected at the time of going to press: President, Mrs. Webster, of Miller Corps Seattle; senior vice-president, Mrs. Chambers, of North Yakima.

Ranke hall was crowded to the doors last evening by members of the G. A. R. and its auxiliary societies, who had gathered to enjoy the annual camp fire. At Armory hall preparations had also been made for an overflow gathering and a camp fire, with special exercises, but the veterans' interest seemed to center at Ranke hall, and early in the evening the seats were all occupied and the aisles blocked with people. Many others were unable to secure admittance to the hall, and scouted their way to the Armory, where they passed a most enjoyable evening, the crowd there being large and enthusiastic.

The decorations at Ranke hall were lavish, yet tasteful. Cannon and muskets were grouped about the stage, while the nation's flag was everywhere in evidence.

The program of exercises was an entertaining one, and well received by F. H. Hurd, who welcomed the veterans and friends in a few well chosen words. He spoke of the many inspiring associations that cluster round our national flag, and closed by calling to the chair ex-Governor Lyman E. Knapp, judge advocate of the order.

On taking the chair, ex-Gov. Knapp made a happy address, stating that the meeting would be regarded as a military assembly, and that he would expect his orders to be implicitly obeyed. His first introduction was that of Mrs. Jennie Houghton-Edmunds, who sang "The G. Country" and in response to an encore, "The Star-Spankled Banner," the audience rising during its rendition.

of the work and growth of the corps. "One of the things we are insisting on," said she, "is that the young in our schools shall be taught that there is room in this country for but one flag, and that is the Stars and Stripes." She eloquently spoke of Grant, Sherman, Sheridan and many other great generals, and closed by saying: "You may take for your hero the man of renown. But the man with the musket is mine."

Comrade Priest sang an appropriate solo, and City Treasurer Foote made a characteristic talk which came very near being a political speech. He told how "we" had elected the grandest of the Grand Army men president, and how "we" would do so again in 1900. "A soldier's ballot should point as his musket pointed in '61 to '65."

S. F. Street gave the floor to Congressman Jones, of Yakima, who spoke eloquently. R. K. Becham closed with a recitation.

## MRS. HOLMES IS SELECTED

### As President of the Federated Clubs.

### OTHER OFFICERS CHOSEN TODAY

### Several Resolutions Are Introduced—The Final Adjournment Takes Place Today.

The morning session of the Federation of Women's clubs was occupied by the roll call, general business, and the election of officers. Several resolutions and amendments to the constitution and by-laws were introduced. The election of officers aroused much interest.

On one informal ballot, Mrs. Tucker, of the Fortnightly club; Mrs. Holmes, of the Century club; and Mrs. Bally, of the Fortnightly club, all of Seattle, received the largest number of votes, and they were declared nominees for president. The fourth ballot resulted in the election of Mrs. Kate T. Holmes, of the Century club, Seattle, who received 55 out of the 93 votes cast. Adjournment was then taken for luncheon.

The following officers were elected: First vice-president, Mrs. Mary M. Brown, Everett; second vice-president, Mrs. Ashenfelder, Spokane; recording secretary, Mrs. Elwood, corresponding secretary, Mrs. Merriam, Seattle; treasurer, Mrs. Thompson; auditor, Miss Grace, Walla Walla.

After the election of officers, the following program was given: Music—Euterpe club, Olympia "Applied Sociology"; Mrs. Jennie F. White, Cultus club, Spokane Music—Vocal, Ladies' Quartette Directed by Mrs. W. H. Whittlesey "Hygienic Housekeeping"; Mrs. Anna J. Sheafe, Fortnightly club, Seattle

Introduction of new officers. Closing song—"America" Adjournment.

The present session of the federation has been probably the most successful thus far held, both in numbers and in the character of the work done.

The city clubs have left nothing in their power undone for the entertainment of the visiting delegates, and for the general success of the convention. The information committee consisting of Mrs. Carrie Coe and Miss Beattie L. Winsor, has been a valuable adjunct.

While the convention has been a marked success, the ladies of the Seattle clubs have themselves to congratulate on the fact, as they have not solicited one cent subscription from the business men of the city.

Last evening's session of the Washington Federation of Women's clubs was probably the best that has been held thus far, both from a social and artistic standpoint. The large audience began to assemble early, and, by the time the program began, the church was full to the doors, almost every seat in the balcony being taken. The reception committee consisted of Mrs. Richard Winsor, Jr., Mesdames Jennings, Helen Wells and Carrie Shanway.

The National Construction company filed articles of incorporation this morning in the county auditor's office. The incorporators are: M. W. Lewis, J. R. Leake, J. M. Scott, and W. B. Holmes, of New York; and J. F. Ebelman, of Seattle. The purposes of the incorporation are to construct, purchase or lease lines of railway to be operated by steam, electricity or cable, and to do all things necessary in connection therewith, except to do a banking business. The capital stock of the company is \$1,000,000. When seen in regard to the matter, Mr. Ebelman said, "I cannot give out anything in regard to the company at the present time. Some New York friends of mine asked me to act as their coast director of the company. I have been advising them to invest money here, and this is the fruit of that advice. But I can assure you of one thing, and that is, it means the investment of money here in Seattle."

The Central Trust company of New York today filed a suit in the federal court against the Everett Land company for \$1,500,000. The trust company alleges that in June 1893 the Everett Land company borrowed the above sum, and a mortgage on certain lands was given as security. The time specified in the mortgage has now expired, and certain technicalities prevent the Central Trust company from securing the lands.

Chief of Police Reed received a telegram late this afternoon from Harrisburg, Pa., stating that he polio there had J. R. Green, who is wanted here for swindling Farmer Royce, of Walla Walla, out of \$5000. A later telegram was received, stating that Green had secured a lawyer and was going to apply for a writ of habeas corpus.

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We assume your profession to be perfectly legitimate—there are no "fakes" outside of the mining business—but, consciously or unconsciously, you seem to hold to the prevalent notion that every mining man by virtue of his business is a fraud. Wouldn't it be well to keep a watch on the particular bent of one's mind that it may not draw too much and lead said one out of the paths of reason? We think so.

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