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The Delegations from All Over the State.

PRETTIEST CONTEST ON EARTH

Between the Waco Companies With The Honors Slightly With the West End Boys but Declared a Draw—Resolutions Memorial on the Death of Ben McCulloch.

The convention re-assembled at 2:30 yesterday afternoon and the chairman of the committee on credentials stated that the report was not yet ready.

The committee reported the following delegates present and entitled to seats, but not in time for publication in THE NEWS last evening:

Hon J W Levy, Sherman, president. O C Connor, Paris, first vice president.

Thos H. Martin, Houston; second vice-president.

Geo A King, Marlin; third vice-president.

Ed R Kone, San Marcos; fourth vice-president.

E E Taylor, Georgetown; fifth vice-president.

Geo W Burkett, Palestine; seventh vice-president.

Jas L Shorey, Lockhart; treasurer. Stewart Harrison, Fort Worth; secretary.

E S Connor, Paris, assistant secretary.

Don B Adams, Fort Worth; delegate National association of engineers.

Committee on Credentials—J W Ozment, Palestine; P D Harrison, Longview.

Committee on finance—W F Henderson, Sulphur Springs; J N Adicks, Huntsville; George Frank, Marlin; J Mincer, Waxahachie; W A Baar, Weimar; S Samuels, Marlin.

Committee on topics—H R Early, Fort Worth; W N Norwood, Navasota; C W Singleton, Ennis; George Calhoun, Austin; E Mont Riley, Fort Worth.

Committee on printing—Stuart Harrison, Fort Worth; E R Kirsh, Palestine.

Committee on revisions and resolutions—P F Cox, Hillsboro, A L Camp, Vernon.

Committee on special arbitration—G C Keffler, El Paso; A D Adams, Waco; Eugene Nolte, Seguin.

Monumental committee—P S Turner, Belton; O C Connor, Paris.

Committee on legislation—C W Littlepage, vice-president national board fire engineers.

Austin—Hook and Ladder company No 1, T D Hearn; East Austin Hose company No 4, J B Hannon; Colorado Fire company No 4, Geo Calhoun; Protection Hose company No 3, R E Nitschke; F S Babcock, assistant chief of department.

Amarillo—Amarillo Hook and Ladder company No 1, G W Tacket.

Abilene—Star Hose company No 3, Wm Fulwider; Rescue Hose company No 2, C Malone; Hook and Ladder company No 1, Gus Ackermus; Chemical Engine company; O W Stefins, department at large, Albert Kelly.

Belton—Belton Hook and Ladder company No, W R Keylick; Mechanics' Hose company No 2, Will Kircher.

Bryan—Protection Hose company No 1, S L Terry; B F Leaman, chief of department.

Burton—Burton Hook and Ladder company No 1, J F Weibusch.

Columbus—Hook and Ladder company No 1, Gus Depmore; Protection Hose company No 1, A Bartels, Hy Wagenfuhr.

Cleburne—Hook and Ladder company No 1, J R Ranson, Jr; Protection Hose company No 1, Clyde Bayless; J M Clower, chief of department.

Corsicana—Hook and Ladder company No 1, Morris Sterne, Rescue Hose Corpus Christi—Lone Star; Hook and Ladder company No 1, H Sutherland.

Denton—Hook and Ladder company No 1, E W Sanders; W J Austin Engine company No 1, W J Lacey; Engine company No 2, Wm Roarke; W J Lacey, chief of department.

Decatur—Decatur Hose company No 1, M Kramer; Decatur Hose company No 2, A Kramer; Decatur Hook and Ladder company No 1, E W Hatcher.

Ennis—Ennis Fire company No 1, W E Bradley; J G Leggins Hose company No 1, G W Singleton; Ennis Hose company No 2, C M Bamer.

El Paso—Forrestville Hose company No 3, J B Payne; Hose company No 2, Z T Merrill; El Paso Hose company No 1, A Solky; El Paso Hook and Ladder company No 1, John B Sanders; C C Keiffer, chief department.

Fort Worth—Protection Engine company No 1, B L Waggoman; Thornton Hose company No 4, Thos Simmons; W B Hose company No 5, W Barr; E M Daggett Engine company No 3, Geo H Craig; M T Johnson Hook and Ladder company No 1, Chas Sneed; Peter Smith Hose company No 2, O F Darby.

Georgetown—Rescue Hose company No 1, M B Sanson; Mechanics Hose company No 2, Miles Allen; Georgetown Hook and Ladder company No 1, E J Olive; J S Carroll, chief of department.

Gainesville—Rescue Hose company No 1, Lewis Rogers; Phoenix Hose company No 2, G P Wood; Lone Star Hook and Ladder company No 1, L J Wynne; J J Moore chief department.

Huntsville—Huntsville Fire company No 1, S C Eastham.

Giddings—Giddings Fire company No 1, J C Newman.

Houston—Hook and Ladder company No 1, Robert Adair; Curtin Hose company No 9, John Donelley; Mechanics' Hose company No 6, Charles Reichart; Stonewall Hose company No 3, Frank Hayes; Protection Fire company No 1, J P Arto.

Hillsboro—Hillsboro Engine company, No 1, S R Blanchard; Hillsboro Hook and Ladder company, No 1, F L McCollum; A L Blanchard, chief of department.

Hallettsville—Hallettsville Hose company No 1, George Kroschell; Hallettsville Hook and Ladder company, No 1, C W Arnim; Wm Price, chief of department.

Kyle—Hope Hook and Ladder company, No 1, L J Roundtree; Hose company, No 1, C Bones.

Lockhart—Lockhart Hook and Ladder company, No 1, A A Storey.

LaGrange—LaGrange Fire company, No 1, T S Brown.

Luling—Hose company No 1, W P Walker; Luling Hook and Ladder company No 1, H Kleinsmith.

Mexia—Mexia Hook and Ladder company No 1, E R Herring; Mexia Hose company No 1, Robert Stein.

Marlin—Marlin Engine company No 1, H Rickelman.

Marshall—Salamander Fire company No 1, J W Herndon.

McKinney—H C Herndon Hook and Ladder company, R R Allen; J W Thornton Engine and Hose company, Lawrence Berry; chief of department, C A Houston.

Manor—Manor Fire company No 1, Wm Lueddecke.

Navasota—Navasota Hose company No 1, Hamor Norwood; Hook and Ladder company No 1, J W Schumacher; Ward Templeman, assistant chief of department.

Orange—Orange Hook and Ladder company No 1, Geo Bancroft; Protection Fire company No 1, H A Crager, J S Brice, chief of department.

Paris—Phoenix Engine company No 1, Thos L Miller; Phoenix Hose company No 2, A W Neville; Phoenix Hose company No 1, W G Barry; Hook and Ladder company No 1, W E Baga; Chas E Thorne, chief of department.

Palestine—Palestine Hose company No 1; Wm Branigan; Burkitt Hose company No 2, W F Woodward; Hope Hook and Ladder company No 1, Dan McDowan; A L Bowers, chief of department.

Rockdale—Hook and Ladder company No 1, H S Branch; Hose company No 1, E C Brudi; Hose company No 2, T H Perry.

Sherman—Sam Houston Fire company, J F Evans; Supply company

No 1, Geo Althoff; Sherman Hook and Ladder No 1, T N Mulkey; Sherman Hose company No 1, Sam A Levy; Sherman Hose company No 2, Abb Tyree; Frank Walcott, chief of department.

Sulphur Springs—Protection Hook and Ladder company No 1, W F Henderson; Little Giant Fire company, P Z Littlefield.

Seguin—Reliance Hook and Ladder company, J Friedlander.

San Marcos—Rescue Hose company No 2, E W Gilsen; San Marcos Hook and Ladder company, Bart Mitchell; Alert Hose company No 1, W H Nance, J R Porter, chief of department.

Tyler—Tyler Hose company No 1, A B Palmer; Hook and Ladder company, A W Palmer; J D Hammond, chief of department.

Temple—King Hose company No 2, L D Black; Wakeful Hose company No 1, J S Perry; Stuart Wheeler, chief of department.

Taylor—F W Adams Hose company No 3, H L Fruid; Taylor Hook and Ladder company, W H Miller; Taylor Hose company, W M Elliott, G E King, chief of department.

Terrell—Terrell Hook and Ladder company No 1, Otto Sites; Our Home company No 2, D E Anthony.

Vernon—S W Lomax Hose company No 1, W E Roachell; Vernon Hook and Ladder company, A M Hyatt, T G Lomax, chief of department.

Waco—West End No 2, H D Wheeler; Engine company No 1, S A Hogan; Rescue Hook and Ladder company, Bart Moore; A M Prescott chief of department.

Weimar—Weimar Fire company No 1, Wm Walker; Hook and Ladder company No 1, Ed Seydler; A F Rose, chief of department.

Weatherford—Hose company No 1, L F Starr; Hook and Ladder No 1, E Puttnam; Hose company No 2, H B Dorsey; D C Haynes, assistant chief.

Waxahachie—Salamander Fire company No 1, Otta Cartrell; J C Woodlief Hook and Ladder company, S T Spallings.

Denison—M J Fitzgerald, chief of department.

Fort Worth—Ben U Bell, chief of department.

Belton—C J Glover, chief of department; Belton Hose company No 1, W O Vandiver.

Taylor—City Hose company No 2, W H Brown.

Telegrams were read from James Graves, El Paso, and John Hewitt, sending respects to the convention.

The Young Men's Christian association extended an invitation to the visiting firemen to visit their rooms.

The invitation was received and a vote of thanks returned.

A communication on the insulation of electric wires was read and, on motion, was ordered spread upon the minutes.

The following resolution was introduced and referred to the committee on resolutions:

Be it resolved, 1. That the treasurer of this association be required to give bond in the sum of \$6000, payable to the president and his successors in office, said bond to be approved by the president, on the certificate from the county clerk, residing in the county of the bondsmen, of their solvency, said of fier to qualify and file his bonds within twenty days after adjournment of the association and receive as a compensation for his services 5 per cent, of all money received, provided, that he receive no commissions on monumental fund.

Be it resolved, 2. That all money due the monumental fund of this association now in the hands of the different departments and companies in this state be forwarded to the treasurer within thirty days from the adjournment of this convention, and that he execute his receipt therefor. Therefore be it.

Resolved, 3. That said treasurer is hereby authorized and instructed to loan said monumental fund, at not less than 5 per cent, per annum, on a note approved by his local bank and payable on demand after the adjournment of the next annual meeting of this association; said note to include 10 per cent, attorney's fees in case same is collected by legal proceedings.

W. P. WALKER, Luling.

JAS. L. STOREY, Lockhart.

A communication from the Austin fire department requesting that fireman ascertain where powder is stored within the city limits was read and upon motion was spread upon the minutes.

A communication from the Palestine fire department suggesting improvements in the manner of operating hook and ladder companies was

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read and filed.

The convention then adjourned till 9 o'clock this morning.

At 5:30 a contest between the various companies was started, to the delight of thousands of spectators.

At the sound of the alarm Engine company No 1 and the Rescue Hook and Ladder company hitched up and were on the public square and the former, after laying two lines of hose, was throwing a stream of water in two minutes.

The men who did this rapid work were Thomas Spence, captain Hose Co., No. 1; Joe McMurry and George McCollum, pipemen; Ben Richards and Gip Stewart, nozzlemen; Leo Stewart, H. J. Brown, J. S. Hooks and Louis Blanchard, on the second line of hose; Clint Wilsford handling the ribbons.

Rescue Hook and Ladder company made the run and raised extension ladders on the city hall with men at the top in the incredibly short length of time of two and one-half minutes, Ed Wilsford, driver.

At a simultaneous sound of the alarm both the West End and East End companies started from their respective stations and were on the scene and had water flowing in four and one-half minutes.

The former company had to run a distance of eleven blocks and the latter not quite so far, but owing to the fact that the East end horses had to be walked across the bridge, a distance of 450 feet, it was thought this would about make up for the difference in the distance.

The names of the men who did such splendid work for the West end company are: Arch Thomas, driver; David Meers and Albert Chesnut, nozzlemen; Charlie Washburn, Turner Hubby, Charlie and Vick, pipemen.

The names of the East end boys who did equally as well as any of the other companies are as follows: Russell Robinson, driver; Frank Britton and George Wallace, nozzlemen; John Laok, Ed Steed and Wash Latimer, pipemen.

The Rescue Hook and Ladder boys did excellent work and THE NEWS could not say too much in their praise but space does not permit of a fuller report of their performances.

The contest as to which company could throw the highest stream was spirited and exciting and both engine company No. 1 and West End fire company claim the victory, but

from where THE NEWS reporter stood, in the second story of the city hall, he must, in the absence of a decision by regularly appointed judges, declare honors easy, and decide it a tie.

SECOND DAY'S SESSION.

The convention re-assembled at 9:30 this morning with president Jake W. Levy in the chair. The roll was called by Secretary Stewart Harrison and a number of delegates reported absent.

The supplementary report of the committee on credentials was read and adopted.

The following resolution was read by C. W. Littlepage and upon motion received and ordered spread upon the minutes by a rising vote:

"Whereas, It has pleased our Heavenly Father to take from our circle of the volunteer firemen of Texas, Mrs. P. L. Downs of Temple, Texas, an honorary member of this association who did so much toward making our stay pleasant during the Temple meeting, therefore be it

Resolved: That in her death our association has lost an honor, the church a conscientious member and a bright christian and the family circle a faithful friend, generous neighbor, affectionate wife and model mother.

Resolved further, That to her bereaved home circle, our beloved leader, Hon. P. L. Downs, ex chief of the Temple fire department her husband, we tender our deep sympathy in this dark hour of his bereavement and that we shall sadly miss the light of her presence at our meetings, and her name and memory will ever be kept fast and green in our hearts and we shall ever love and revere her amiability of character, goodness, unaffected piety, love for the firemen and our cause and we shall strive to clasp her angelic hands in that bright union in that best clime.

Where tempests are hushed, where tempests no errage, Where angry skies and and blackening seas no more With gusty strength their roaring warfare wage.

By her peaceful margins shall be trod, Her home be Heaven and her friend be God. C. W. LITTLEFIELD.

A bouquet of flowers was presented by Maj. Wiley Jones for which a vote of thanks was tendered by a rising vote.

Upon motion the recommendation of the committee on topics of yesterday, with regard to the use of fire ex-