

GREAT ARMY OF POSTMEN

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The first delegation of the New York carriers, numbering 500, arrived at 2:45 p. m. This consisted of the men from stations G, O, W, J, H, E and A. The Jersey City delegates also came in on this train. A noticeable feature was the perfect order kept by the men. Upon alighting from the train they lined up in seven rows while the captains called the roll. They then filed in and marched to their respective positions in the parade.

The silk flags for the various stations had been sent on ahead and a committee appointed for the purpose distributed them at the depot as each station came along.

The second section of the New York delegation arrived at 3:36, having made the run in four hours and a half. This section consisted of eleven cars and the men on leaving the cars took up their places in the general formation.

On the third section of the New York train were five more coaches loaded with carriers and a Pullman drawing-room car on which were the guests.

Postmaster Cornelius Van Cott and staff. The staff accompanying were: Assistant Postmaster E. S. Post, Richard Van Cott, general superintendent of city delivery; L. L. Laufferly, private secretary; T. A. Jardines, auditor; C. W. White, superintendent of postoffice delivery; F. O. Driscoll, superintendent of carriers; J. J. Campbell, superintendent unpaid department; Howard Connolly, superintendent newspaper mailing department; W. C. Lippmann, assistant auditor; Superintendents of Division Stations J. J. Jones, E. L. Rothman, F. E. Shea, F. C. Rann, C. D. Silsbee, T. G. Archer, R. C. Dean, J. E. Stewart, C. E. Hubbell, L. E. Granger, E. J. Mountain, W. C. Moyer, Robert P. Walsh, P. F. Mott, G. C. Voorhis, J. H. McGinn, John Washington, M. J. Foley; Harry C. Lockwood, chief clerk, third division; W. B. Sprout, chief clerk carriers' division.

The fourth section carried Brooklyn's 500 postmen and two carloads of Silk City branch of Paterson, N. J. They were the last to leave Hoboken, starting at 11:45 and arriving at 4:15.

The Brooklyn men were accompanied by Postmaster Charles H. Wilson, accompanied by the following members of his staff: W. A. Smith, general superintendent of the postoffice; William Estance, auditor; A. H. Frost, J. Carroll, H. G. Buckley, J. E. Lindmark, J. C. Voss, W. T. Morrison and W. Lester, superintendents of stations.

John E. Irvine, president of the Brooklyn branch, and S. O. Stevenson, its secretary, were also in the party.

The Paterson people numbered sixty, including the Paterson Martial Drum corps. They wore pretty pink badges of silk, lettered in gold and caught up with a silk sash.

Their guests were Postmaster Hermann J. Kolbhaus, Superintendent Ernest A. Hurton and Peter Elmer, Jr., Alderman James Roe and John Rainey, clerk of the street department, were two city officials accompanying the party.

The branch officers present were: President Thomas Rogers, Secretary William Roe, Jr., Vice-President Charles W. Robinson, Financial Secretary Charles H. Nichols, Treasurer John Wilson.

There were 1,962 passengers on the four trains that came from Greater New York. All but about one hundred of these were carriers.

At 3:30 o'clock the special train carrying the Newark carriers steamed into the Delaware and Hudson station with banners flying. With them was Assistant Postmaster William Zerfas, and their letter carriers' band of twenty-six pieces, of which P. K. Wilson is leader.

Newark sent 209 men and a number of her leading citizens. The number was made up in nine sections and was in command of Ervin Jewell. Hon. John R. Farr, A. F. Duffy, Select Councilman James met the party and escorted it to its position in line.

About forty minutes later the special train conveying the immense crowd of over 500 from Philadelphia reached the city by the way of the Delaware and Hudson. The men immediately formed in their companies and in command of Colonel John H. Duff, assigned to them, accompanied them were twenty-three delegates and several ladies.

The Wilkes-Barre representation of thirty-five men, accompanied by the Ninth Regiment band and headed by the inimitable Alvin Donahoe, of the Third ward of that city, reached the city at 3:30 o'clock. They were escorted to Hotel Jermy and later took their place in line. Our neighboring city, Pittston, sent her force of ten men accompanied by Hon. Theodore Hart, postmaster of that city.

by 540 men and Philadelphia by an even 500. The New York, Philadelphia, Jersey City and Newark carriers had their own bands along.

It was not, as might be supposed, a monotonous procession. The carriers, to be sure, were tired in the regular line, but there was a variety of detail to fully relieve anything approaching monotony. Nearly every delegation had something other than their badges that was distinctive, and many of them presented distinguishing features that were very decidedly attractive.

Their marching, too, was a notable feature. Most of them were drilled to a military gait; some of them were capable of intricate and precise evolutions, and none of them marched poorly. Their step, bearing and maneuvering was on the whole quite as good as would be looked for in a purely military organization.

The newly repaved asphalted streets of the central city, thoroughly flushed on the preceding night, gave them a perfect marching ground, and, thanks to the excellent arrangements of Chief of Police Robling, there was no hindrance occasioned by the spectators.

All along the line of march where the crowds usually congregate most densely, the sidewalks were roped off and a sufficient force of officers were strung along the curb to see that the spectators kept within the ropes.

On Washington avenue, in the vicinity of the court house, where the crowd was nothing short of a jam, unformed volunteers from the fire department co-operated with the regular police in holding up and damping the firemen's march. The firemen also acted as ushers in the grand stands and kept an eye out for meddlesome persons who might come to harm from the electric wires. The firemen were from the Franklin, Nay Aug, Crystal and Columbia companies and were about twenty in number.

A number of women fainted in several of the thickest crowds, but not a single accident is reported, save that of the horse of A. F. Law, one of the first division aides, ran away on Lackawanna avenue, and, dashing into the midst of Bauer's band, overturned W. V. Griffiths, the trombone player, giving him a bad shaking up and damaging his horn beyond repair. He, however, hurried to Finn & Phillips' store and securing a new instrument, returned to his place in the line.

Owing to the late arrival of the Philadelphia delegation the parade was an hour late in getting started, but once it was under way, everything moved like clockwork under the efficient direction of Grand Marshal Ripple, who, it is safe to say, is without a peer in this particular capacity. No small amount of the success of the procession in this respect is due to the chief of staff, Major W. S. Miller, the three division marshals, Colonel C. C. Matter, Captain F. M. Vandling, Captain D. E. Atherton, Captain L. T. Mattee and their several aides.

Details of the Parade.

At 3 o'clock p. m. the paraders began to assemble at their respective places of formation and at 3:30, the appointed time for the procession to move, Colonel Ripple was prepared to give the order to march. The first section of the New York train bearing the Brooklyn and Paterson delegates and the special with the Philadelphia's aboard were late in arriving and kept the parade in waiting a full hour.

The first division was composed of the delegator and carriage containing distinguished guests and local committee men, formed on Lackawanna and Franklin avenue, the delegates on the former thoroughfare and the latter in Franklin. All of the delegates did not get to the division, some of them preferring to fall in ahead of their marching squads. President John N. Parsons and the other national officers were tendered carriages, but declined to ride, saying it was appropriate that carriers should walk. President Parsons commanded the delegates' section of the column.

The other three divisions of the parade were made up respectively of New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania delegates. The New Yorkers formed on Franklin avenue, right resting on Spruce street, the Jerseys on Franklin avenue and the Pennsylvanians on Linden street, right resting on Franklin.

At 4:32 Grand Marshal Ripple gave the signal and the column moved on Franklin avenue and up Lackawanna to the music of hundreds of musicians and the cheers of thousands of spectators.

The line of march was as follows: Philadelphia delegation on Washington avenue to Spruce street, up Spruce street to Jefferson avenue, out Jefferson avenue to Pine street, down Pine street to Washington avenue, down Washington avenue to Spruce street, up Wyoming avenue, out Wyoming avenue.

It is safe to say the carriers never before were greeted with more enthusiastic applause. From the housetops, the windows, the balconies and densely packed sidewalks came an unbroken succession of cheering the whole length of the line of march during all the time the carriers were in motion. At several points along the line a rousing ovation on the continuous performance plan greeted the marchers. This was particularly true at the Court building and its neighbors on each side where bells horns and clap-borders were brought into play to augment the hearty plaudits. The grand stand and reviewing stand were also generous in their applause.

Colonel Ripple was probably the most generally applauded individual in the parade. As he rode at the head of the column he was continually compelled to bow acknowledgements of the bursts of applause from the double bank of humanity through which the procession moved.

Following him came the Detroit drill corps of thirty-five men attired in white caps and duck trousers and carrying their march in a variety of evolutions seen on the streets of Scranton. They were favorites with the crowd and were given a good hand everywhere along the line.

President Parsons, marching at the head of the delegates, also came in

for warm applause wherever he was recognized and at the reviewing stand the greatest honor he received was of the most enthusiastic kind.

Chicago's sixty men in white caps and trousers and blue serge coats and the Baltimore squad of forty men wearing "Oriole" caps attracted much attention and many favorable comments.

A lone, colored delegate from Jacksonville, Fla., bearing his branch banner aloft on a twelve-foot sugar cane provoked laughter and admiration. St. Louis delegates had a complete uniform special of their own for the occasion. It consisted of a brown suit, blue and white striped shirt and blue and red striped cap. It was the most novel uniform in line.

The Ohio delegation, headed by Cleveland, ten delegates, wore made conspicuous by the only state banner in the line. All along the route they were greeted with "What's the matter with Ohio. Oh, they're all right."

After them came the scattering delegations and bringing up the rear were the seventy-five men from New York who are to represent the big branch in the convention. They wore plain clothes and presented a very dignified appearance. John Eberhardt, their chairman, was in lead.

The end of this division was brought up by the twenty-four carriages containing the distinguished guests and local committee. The two first carriage, containing Postmaster General Smith, Superintendent of Carriers, and Joseph J. Ambrose, delegate from Norristown, N. J.

No. 14—Joseph R. Murphy and Alfred N. Dalrymple, delegates from Newark, N. J.; Charles E. Elmhorn, of West Hoboken, N. J.; and Hon. William Diekmann, postmaster of Guttenberg, N. J.

No. 15—A. S. Brown, postmaster of Jersey City; Hon. Leonard K. Conroy and R. H. Williams, also that city.

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Chas. Emory Smith, William Cyphers, assistant postmaster Newark, N. J.; Thomas W. Frampton, superintendent of city delivery of Newark; A. W. Machen, of York City; Frank H. D. Greene, of Washington, D. C., superintendent of free delivery.

No. 2—Governor William A. Stone and Congressman William Croghan, A. J. Barré, No. 3—Judge H. M. Edwards and Congressman Stanley Davenport, of Wilkes-Barre.

No. 4—Commissioner of Immigration T. V. Powderly and Hon. J. A. Scranton, No. 5—Hon. R. W. Archibald and Hon. F. W. Quinter.

No. 6—Major T. Frank Penman, Col. L. A. Watres and Postmaster Cornelius Van Cott, of New York City.

No. 7—General J. E. W. Wooley, postmaster of Jersey City; E. W. Wooley, assistant postmaster Jersey City; B. F. Bertsch, superintendent of carriers of Jersey City and ex-Sheriff Charles Robinson, of this city.

No. 8—J. J. Machen, of Detroit, a guest of the delegation of his city; C. C. Dunston, of Detroit; Hon. O. J. P. Dickerson, postmaster of Detroit, Mich.

No. 9—Hon. Theodore Hart, postmaster of Scranton, and Col. G. M. Halstead, of this city.

No. 10—E. E. Loomis, superintendent of coal and real estate department of the Lackawanna road; C. Simpson, of this city; P. W. Baker, of Binghamton.

No. 11—E. P. Kingsbury, R. J. Foster, of this city, and Postmaster Andrew J. Eaton.

No. 12—Milton Northup, ex-postmaster of Syracuse; C. L. Schriener, postmaster of Bethlehem; M. M. Conroy, postmaster of Elmira, and Arja Williams, of this city.

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tenant, Benjamin F. Conlin; chief clerk, F. A. Bowles, 48 men.

Station 8—Captain, Richard Hoolihan; first lieutenant, Frank Hall; superintendent, John E. Lindmark, 26 men.

Station 9—Captain, W. H. D. Greene; first lieutenant, John W. Hoerckel; superintendent, Lewis Baur, 19 men.

Flatsburgh Station—Captain, Otto Grossman; first lieutenant, Richard Doody; second lieutenant, Peter Shea, 18 men.

Station 10—Captain, William J. Brandt; first lieutenant, John W. Hoerckel; chief clerk, Lloyd Browne; superintendent, Colonel William Morris, 14 men.

Station C—Captain, R. Miller; first lieutenant, P. Watson; superintendent, W. J. Morrison, 25 men.

Station A—Captain, George H. Webb; first lieutenant, Henry Schade; second lieutenant, Albert Johnson; superintendent, George Franklin, 42 men.

Newark delegation—Captain, William C. Beach; first lieutenant, Frank Patterson, 22 men.

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Evening Reception.

THE public reception at the High School auditorium last evening was attended by an audience that completely filled the spacious room, and their enthusiasm was unlimited.

The stage was prettily decorated with potted plants and the national colors and on the stage were seated Governor W. A. Stone, Postmaster General Charles Emory Smith, Congressman William Connell, Hon. T. V. Powderly, commissioner of immigration; Colonel L. A. Watres, Rev. R.

clates have made today will deepen their public respect for a body of devoted men whose work comes more directly home to the people than that of any other class of public agents.

The noble spirit which ever guided and which today recalls to your mind an incident of nearly a year ago which you will permit me to relate. At the great Peace Jubilee held in Chicago last October, twelve hundred letter carriers of the Chicago postoffice participated in the imposing procession. They were stalwart and robustly built, and their appearance as any men in the long line.

The president of the United States reviewed the whole column. When about his side, and with a sentiment of admiration which he made no attempt to conceal, he said: "Mr. Ripple, I ever wish, never today recalls to your mind an incident of nearly a year ago which you will permit me to relate. At the great Peace Jubilee held in Chicago last October, twelve hundred letter carriers of the Chicago postoffice participated in the imposing procession. They were stalwart and robustly built, and their appearance as any men in the long line.

There can be no general without true and intrinsic merit. Behind Dewey stood the heroic men at the guns. Behind Roosevelt and Wheeler and Hawkins and Lawton and McArthur stood the gallant and brave men who were our fighting line. Behind the president stand the true and loyal American people, the gallant and brave men who are our fighting line. Behind the president stand the true and loyal American people, the gallant and brave men who are our fighting line.

Every division of that great force—the 70,000 postmasters, the faithful body of the gallant and brave men who are our fighting line. Behind the president stand the true and loyal American people, the gallant and brave men who are our fighting line.

The exercises were opened at 8:30 o'clock with selections by the New York Letter Carriers' band, and Chairman Phillips introduced Rev. Mr. Pierce, who offered prayer. Colonel Watres was then introduced as the chairman of the evening and said to preside even temporarily over such a body of men as the mail carriers was a great honor and in view of the lengthy programme an address by the presiding officer would be out of place.

He said the city is under peculiar obligations to the association for benefits received, and while he admitted that the city was second class, the postmaster is first class in every respect. The mail carriers have given excellent service and follow the word duty as their command.

After a selection by the band the Seranton Glee club, especially organized for this occasion, sang "Comrades in Arms," under the direction of John T. Watkins, and their rendition was received with tumultuous applause. Prof. Llewellyn Jones was the accompanist. At the conclusion of the selection, Chairman Watres introduced Mayor Moir, who delivered the address of welcome. In part, he said:

"Ladies and gentlemen: There is a very pleasant duty attached to the office of mayor which includes the welcoming of all visitors to the city. I am here to express the feeling of every man, woman and child in the city of Scranton in bidding you a heartfelt welcome. The eloquence of our delegates at the last convention must have been persuasive to induce you to come here, and I might add you showed excellent good sense in coming."

Referring to President McKinley's inability to present the mayor paid the chief magistrate a splendid tribute and among other things the man who has stood so prominent before the whole world during the last two years commands the respect of the entire civilized world and his administration has taught all other nations that we have put a man in charge of the ship of state who can command their respect.

Speech of Postmaster General Smith. Mayor Moir said the mail carriers have a most excellent head and brought their head with them. Governor Stone also came in for a few words to make his presence known to executive said when the people of Scranton want anything at Harrisburg all they have to do is to make it known to Governor Stone.

Delightful remarks were made by the delegation comprising the Lehigh Valley associations follows: Easton, 15 men; Allentown, 17 men; Bethlehem and South Bethlehem, 15 men; Phillipsburg, 2 men; captain, G. B. Brown. Ringgold, 1 man.

Branch No. 17, Scranton, 37 men.

Feeding the Visitors. AFTER the parade, the visitors were escorted to the armory, on Adams avenue; the Davidson building, on Spruce street; the Powell building, on Wyoming avenue, and the Snover building, on Penn avenue, where the wives and lady friends of the city mail carriers served hot coffee, sandwiches and other edibles.

At the armory, Miss Mame Campbell was in charge, assisted by Mrs. John R. Thomas, Mrs. Harry White, Mrs. A. Jenkins and thirty young ladies. They provided food for about 1,500 men, comprising the New York delegation.

The New Jersey mailmen, from Paterson, Passaic, Jersey City and Hoboken, were fed at the Davidson building, numbering between 500 and 600 men. They were looked after by Mrs. J. H. Phillips, Mrs. Thomas G. Williams, Mrs. Edward Jones, Mrs. Thomas Jones, Mrs. David Reese, Mrs. T. D. Davis, Mrs. Victor Lauer, and eighteen young ladies, who ably assisted.

In the Powell building the Brooklyn and Binghamton men were looked after by Mrs. E. S. Evans, Mrs. Reed Sively, Elizabeth Danvers, Norma Kelly, Miss Wilkins, Mrs. W. D. Morgan, Mrs. K. S. Cross, Mrs. Randolph Jones, Miss Peters, Miss Reilly, Miss Harris and Mrs. William Moser.

About 700 of the Philadelphia and Detroit carriers were fed at the Snover building. They were looked after by Mrs. W. H. Bird, Mrs. E. N. Boswell, Mrs. George Jones, Mrs. Stephen Spruks, Misses McGuinness, Gibbora, Klump and Warner.

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COLONEL E. H. RIPPLE, Postmaster of Scranton and the Grand Marshal of Yesterday's Big Letter Carriers' Parade.



HON. CHARLES EMORY SMITH, Postmaster General of the United States.

The Afternoon Parade.

NO one will say the carriers delivered up a gold brick. Other organizations have bid for the public's co-operation in entertaining visiting brethren, promising big, but meagerly fulfilling. Not so with the carriers, he it might be said, when they invited public demonstration in honor of their guests, that the city would see one of the largest crowds of paraders from a distance that ever marched our streets and a spectacle of surpassing interest.

They said that practically the entire carrier force of all the large cities would be here; that there would be present men of national renown and postmasters from many cities; that there would be a crowd here as large, if not larger, than any that ever thronged the streets of Scranton, and that they, the local carriers, would have complete and perfect arrangements for every detail of the whole affair.

Way Carriers Formed.

THE formation of the parade was as follows: Mounted Officers Block and Barker; chief marshal, Colonel E. H. Ripple; chief of staff, Major W. S. Miller; aides, Major E. D. Fellows, Major William E. Keller, Lieutenant Walter E. Gunter, Frank Becker, Dr. John J. Sullivan, Colonel Morris J. Keck, Colonel W. C. Shonemaker, E. H. Ripple, Jr., H. W. Loftis, Dr. W. F. Downe, A. E. Connell, A. J. Colborn, John P. Gibson, E. J. Davis, P. J. Casey, Les Corne, Alex. Dunn, Jr., E. C. Deans, E. J. Coleman, Thomas Sprague, D. D. Evans, Louis Geschwindt, Joseph B. Leonard, Clarence Snyder.

First Division.

Marshal, Col. C. C. Matter; Aides—Chas. F. Hosa, A. F. Law, Isaac Brown, Dr. G. A. Blanchard. Bauer's Band, thirty-five pieces. Detroit delegation, headed by Detroit, Mich. Baltimore delegates to convention, Baltimore delegates. Chicago delegates. St. Louis delegates. Ohio delegates. Miscellaneous delegates from various states. New York city delegates. Carriage No. 1—Postmaster General

Mr. Smith's Address.

CHARLES Emory Smith, the postmaster general, was the next speaker. He said: "Mr. Chairman, delegates of the National Letter Carriers' association, ladies and gentlemen: The mayor said the letter carriers had exhibited good sense in selecting Scranton as the place for holding their convention, and I must tell the mayor that good sense is a characteristic of the men. Scranton also exhibited good sense in desiring his presence. I know Scranton is the Electric City and I have had opportunity to understand the significance of that term, and I am sure that every body who comes here to be similarly electrified by touching the button."

Remarks of Mr. Parsons.

AT THE conclusion of Mr. Smith's eloquent speech which was received with rapturous applause, the glee club sang "The Letter Carrier," and Chairman Watres introduced John N. Parsons, president of the National Association of Letter Carriers. As he rose the New York Letter Carriers' band greeted him with the selection "See the Conquering Hero Come." He said he was very much interested in the convention and more than pleased with the manner in which it was being conducted. He said he hoped that the visitors would not disabuse the privilege accorded them by the citizens of Scranton.

Mr. Parsons thanked Mr. Smith for the kind words expressed to the carriers and tendered the thanks of the association to the ladies and gentlemen who had worked so diligently in their behalf. He added that Scranton will not have any regrets to express at the visit of the mail carriers. The mailmen will carry back home with them kind remembrances of their visit, he said, and thought that the executive committee had been touched by the electrical wire in providing such excellent entertainment for their guests.

In closing he referred to the sick and insurance plan in operation by the association, and expressed his belief that the impression you and your asso-