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 ciation will be held in the Home of Penns Grove Lodge, No. 1358, on Sunday, September 10.

Kansas

The twenty-eighth annual convention of the Kansas State Elks Association was held at Great Bend, under the auspices of Great Bend Lodge, No. 1127, on May 14, 15 and 16. The first day's activities included the initiation of a class of 20 candidates by No. 1127, a ritualistic contest in which Pittsburg Lodge, No. 412, finished first, with Hutchinson Lodge, No. 453, second and Newton Lodge, No. 706, third. At the opening of the first business session the address of welcome was delivered by State Senator R. C. Russell, senior Past Exalted Ruler of Great Bend Lodge, while the response for the visitors was made by W. H. McKone, of Lawrence Lodge, No. 595. A luncheon at the Home of Great Bend Lodge, a ladies' bridge party and a golf tournament were features of the afternoon. In the evening a banquet was held at the Country Club, at which Past Exalted Ruler Russell was the principal speaker. Exalted Ruler W. J. Weber, acting as toastmaster, turned over the remainder of the program to Past Exalted Ruler Wayne H. Lamoreux, under whose direction a splendid set of entertainment acts was put on.

At the concluding session the following day W. R. McCormick of Pittsburg Lodge was elected President for the coming year, and Pittsburg was selected as the 1934 meeting place. Other officers elected were: Edward J. Powers, of Salina, First Vice-President; George O. Heinig, of Wichita, Second Vice-President; Thomas O. Moeller, of Galena, Third Vice-President; Lou F. Goerman, of Newton, Secretary; W. E. Lawrence, of Wichita, Treasurer; Dr. Vern Miller, of Weir, R. T. Humbarger, of Salina, and Stanley J. Shook, of Topeka, Trustees.

North Carolina

Holding its first annual convention at Asheville, the North Carolina State Elks Association re-elected all the officers named at the organization meeting last December. They are: Harry T. Paterson, New Berne Lodge, President; N. P. Mulvany, Asheville Lodge, First Vice-President; M. L. Block, Goldsboro Lodge, Second Vice-President; O. W. Patterson, Greensboro Lodge, Secretary-Treasurer; J. J. Morton, Charlotte Lodge, Trustee for three years; W. C. Burns, High Point Lodge, Trustee for two years; Dr. D. A. Morris, Durham Lodge, Trustee for one year; W. C. Moore, New Berne Lodge, Sergeant-at-Arms; and Frank Hagan, Asheville, Tiler. The opening business session of the gathering, presided over by President Paterson, was addressed by District Deputy Grand Exalted Rulers Shelley B. Caveness and J. J. Burney; Past District Deputy J. J. Morton, and Tom C. Daniels, Past Exalted Ruler of New Berne Lodge, No. 764. Reporting for their respective sections of the State, all of the speakers agreed that the formation of the Association has been of the greatest value to the Order in North Carolina. A golf tournament and sight seeing tours, arranged for by the host Lodge, Asheville, No. 1401, were enjoyed by the visitors at the conclusion of business.

Georgia

The Georgia State Elks Association met in its annual convention at Brunswick on May 22 and 23. The sessions, held in the ballroom of the Oglethorpe Hotel, were called to order by Exalted Ruler Edgar Malone, of Brunswick Lodge, No.

691. The invocation was by the Rev. Royal K. Tucker, and the address of welcome by Richard C. Job, Secretary of the Brunswick Board of Trade. State Association President J. Gordon Hardy responded for the visitors. The principal address of the meeting was made by Past Grand Exalted Ruler Walter P. Andrews, who reviewed the history of the Order. In the afternoon there were sight-seeing trips, surf bathing, water sports and golf, and the ritualistic contest for the G. Phillip Maggioni Cup which was won by the team from Albany, Ga., Lodge, No. 713. In the evening the visitors were entertained at a sea food supper and a dance at the Sea Island Casino. On the following morning another business session was held and these officers elected for the coming year: President, F. F. Preston, Douglas Lodge; Secretary-Treasurer, R. E. Lee Reynolds, Atlanta Lodge (re-elected); Vice-Presidents, Abit Nix, Athens Lodge; S. P. Rakestraw, La Grange Lodge; John W. Ramsey, Macon Lodge; H. B. Roberts, Albany Lodge, E. H. Diemmer, Brunswick Lodge, and W. T. Lane, Jr., Americus Lodge. Macon was selected as the 1934 meeting place. At the conclusion of this final session the delegates and their ladies enjoyed an off-shore cruise on the U. S. Coast Guard Cutter *Vamacraw* before leaving for their homes.

Kentucky

Grand Exalted Ruler Floyd E. Thompson attended the twenty-eighth annual convention of the Kentucky State Elks Association, held at Henderson, Ky., May 28-29-30. Eighteen Lodges were represented at the meeting, with one hundred and sixty-four delegates registered. The Convention was presided over by retiring State President Leland O'Callaghan, a life-member of the State Association. After the address of welcome had been extended the visitors the Grand Exalted Ruler and the delegates from the State Lodges were taken on an automobile tour across the Ohio River. Luncheon was served the delegation by the officers of Evansville, Ind., Lodge, No. 116. Upon the return of the motorcade an old-time Elks burgoo supper was served on the lawn of Henderson Lodge, No. 206, after which a dance was held in the ballroom of the Lodge Home.

The address delivered by Grand Exalted Ruler Thompson included an endorsement of the Student Loan Fund movement, fostered by the State Association, by which deserving youths are assisted by the Kentucky Elks, a recommendation of Crippled Children's work under certain conditions, and an urge that all Elk Lodges observe Flag Day. On the night of May 30th, a square of the city, adjacent to the Home of Henderson Lodge, was roped off and the delegates and friends were entertained at a banquet prepared by No. 206, the tables of the banquet filling an entire city block. The Grand Exalted Ruler spoke once more, reviewing the accomplishments and history of the Elks in the United States.

The State Convention elected the following officers for the year 1933-34: Col. James A. Diskin, Newport Lodge, No. 273, President; Richard H. Slack, Owensboro Lodge, No. 144, Secretary-Treasurer; Ben H. Sachs, Louisville Lodge, No. 8, First Vice-President; Myer Freyman, Lexington Lodge, No. 89, Second Vice-President; L. W. Camden, Somerset Lodge, No. 1021, Third Vice-President; Trustees, Clyde R. Levi, Ashland Lodge, No. 350, Hon. John L. Grayot, Madisonville Lodge No. 738,

Edwin N. Williams, Henderson Lodge, No. 206, K. D. Harper, Catelettsburg Lodge, No. 942, and D. W. Smith, Fulton Lodge, No. 1142. The State Convention for the year 1934 will be held in Lexington, Ky.

Alabama

Members of the Alabama State Elks Association officially opened the two-day session of the annual state convention at Mobile on May 15 at the Home of Mobile, Ala., Lodge, No. 108. State President Ben Mendelsohn, presiding, responded to the welcoming addresses of Mayor Harry T. Hartwell, of Mobile, and Exalted Ruler Fournier J. Gale, of Mobile Lodge. The number of delegates present, many of whom arrived Sunday, May 14, and spent the day sightseeing around the city and environs, was considerably swelled by the delegation from Birmingham, Ala., Lodge, No. 79, which sent one hundred members, fifty ladies, its drill team, patrol, and the all-Elk Birmingham Police Band. The band, patrol and drill team paraded from the depot to the Home of Mobile Lodge. The most important social feature of the first day was a dance, held at the local Lodge Home, following impressive initiation ceremonies administered to a class of candidates at the preceding regular meeting. Besides dancing, there was a program of entertainment presented. May 16 was devoted to the business of the convention, election of officers of the State Association for the following year, public exhibitions by the Birmingham patrol following a concert by the Birmingham Police Band, and a parade through the downtown streets of Mobile. The convention closed with a banquet held at the Cawthon Hotel.

The following officers were selected for the year 1933-34: Fournier J. Gale, Mobile Lodge, No. 108, President; Albert S. Eagar, Birmingham Lodge, No. 79, Secretary; C. M. Tardy, Birmingham Lodge, First Vice-President; Charles L. De Bardelaben, Selma Lodge, No. 167, Second Vice-President; Frank O'Hear, Ensley Lodge, No. 987, Third Vice-President; Clyde W. Anderson, Florence Lodge; No. 820, Fourth Vice-President; E. J. Gillespie, Blocton Lodge, No. 710, Tiler; Edward J. McCrossin, Birmingham Lodge, Chaplain; Dr. George W. Randall, Blocton Lodge, No. 710, First Trustee; Ben M. Spielberger, Sheffield Lodge, No. 1375, Second Trustee; R. M. Montgomery, Birmingham Lodge, Third Trustee. The annual convention for 1934 will be held in Selma.

Texas

At the ninth annual convention of the Texas State Elks Association, held at Dallas on May 26, 27 and 28, the following officers were elected for the coming year. President, H. S. Rubenstein, of Brenham Lodge; Vice-Presidents, T. G. Nichols, of Amarillo Lodge; I. Hochwald, of Marshall Lodge; A. V. Tate, of Galveston Lodge; C. E. Smeltz, of San Antonio Lodge; and Dr. D. M. Boles, of Breckenridge Lodge. Meyer J. Rachofofsky, of Dallas Lodge, was re-elected Treasurer. Houston was selected as the scene of the 1934 meeting.

At the opening session Past Grand Esteemed Loyal Knight P. L. Downs delivered the invocation, and the address of welcome was made by Past Exalted Ruler Charles A. Mangold, Chairman of the Convention Committee, while other speeches of greeting were made by Ben Critz, of the Chamber of Commerce, and by Exalted Ruler George W. Loudermilk, of Dallas Lodge. At the afternoon session Past Grand Exalted Ruler William H. Atwell was the principal speaker. A full program of entertainment had been prepared by the host Lodge and was thoroughly enjoyed by the visiting Elks and their ladies.

