

# CLEVELAND ELKS RUSH PLANS FOR ANNUAL CONFAB

## J. Finley Wilson To Oversee Work

CLEVELAND, Ohio, July 23—At the last regular weekly meeting of the executive committee of the entertaining committee of the Improved Benevolent Protective Order of Elks of the World, 38th annual Grand Lodge convention, held at Glenora Temple Thursday, Mrs. Lillian Wilkinson, daughter ruler of Mary B. Talbert Temple, chairman at large, presided.

Reports made by the various committees showed progress in speeding up the plans for the convention since Attorney Perry E. Jackson has been appointed executive secretary by the grand exalted ruler, J. Finley Wilson of Washington, D. C.

Among other things of vital importance done by the local committee was the definite leasing of the People's Center, directed by Mrs. Julia W. Sammy at 2491 East 55th street as the grand lodge headquarters. Every effort is now being made by the renovizing committee to put the building in such shape as to meet the approval of the grand exalted ruler on his return visit, Thursday.

The parade committee under the direction of Captain Beckwith of Cleveland recommended a short direct line of march from Central avenue and East 65th street to East 46th street, to Euclid avenue to the stadium of the Great Lakes Expositions grounds where the exhibitions drills by the local and visiting teams and clubs will be held and the bands will stage their concert.

### Housing Committee

Every Elk in Cleveland has been virtually drafted by the housing committee to comb the city for better homes to house the 10,000 or more delegates and visitors expected to attend the greatest convention in the history of the order. Mrs. Eugenia Brewer-Boyden 5918 Hawthorne avenue is chairman of the committee.

Stephen A. Ball, 4810 Central avenue and his transportation committee are enrolling every local Elk who owns an automobile to meet all the trains, boats, buses and airplanes to aid delegates and visitors in finding their way safely to the Grand Lodge headquarters. Arrangements are also being made by this committee to see that all baggage is safely and carefully handled.

Councilman Lawrence O. Payne, general chairman of the local committee will be special mayor during the convention week with jurisdiction over the wards touching the conventionaires. Detective A. C. Harris will be special chief of police and will have under him a detail of uniformed and plain clothes men appointed by Safety Director, Elliott Ness, Chief of Police George J. Matowitz and Mayor Harold M. Burton. Elks' Convention City will extend particularly from East 108th street to the Public Square; and from the center of Cedar avenue to Kingsburg Run.

Charles Gray and his assistant chairman, William Byrd are listing concessions for the Carnival to be held during Elks Week on East 40th street from Cedar avenue to Central. Other officers of the local committee include Councilman S. E. Craig, second vice president; Mrs. Anna Craighead, third vice president; Mrs. Mary E. LaSantee, recording secretary to the general committee; Mrs. Florence E. Robinson, recording secretary to the executive committee; Mrs. Mary Taylor Gates, 2228 East 80th street, corresponding secretary; Leonard Fairfax, assistant financial secretary; Mrs. Lethia C. Fleming, general treasurer; Dr. James A. Owens, assistant treasurer; Rev. W. M. S. McCutcheon, chaplain.