

Convention Sidelights

One of the smoothest features of the whole convention is the military precision with which the various units of Abd Uhl Atef temple are moved about. The supreme commander of the entire train gets in touch with headquarters at 4 a. m., and by 5:30 every subordinate officer has been couched on the program for the day to the minutest detail and every member of the party knows just what to do. In addition to being extremely well organized, the bunch from Portland started in early to entertain people and are still at it.

Special concerts are being given both today and tomorrow. Khaled temple band, made up of Eastern Oregon musicians, gave the first concert of the day, surrounding the Portland train at 8 o'clock. Tonight at 8:30 the Portland band gives a concert at Adams and Depot. The Walla Walla band gave a concert at 1 o'clock. The Hood River band gives a concert at 7 o'clock, immediately prior to the march to the ball park.

The Walla Walla drum corps of 18 pieces is proving one of the liveliest units in attendance. They are much in evidence throughout the city, and being new to most people, are popular.

Special band concerts will be given tomorrow in the morning but the big feature is the contest for bands at the ball park in the afternoon. The visiting patrol teams are giving exhibition drills from time to time. Regular hours have been set and scattered through the day so that there is something doing all of the time. This afternoon, between two and five was the busiest period of the two days so far as the public was concerned. Visitors were taken on a ride through the valley and the ceremony at the Rex Hall occupied the attention of several hundred.

Last night was a woolly one for the entertainment committee and reception committee. Trains were continually marked up later and automobiles that were called for 3:40 this morning were not used until 5:30. Cars called for 7 this morning were used at 9. The confusion, however, could not be avoided and the drivers took it good naturedly. The secretary of the local general committee and the acting chairman of the Dokie reception committee spent the entire night on the job meeting the night trains and getting temporary quarters for those who arrived at midnight hours.

The delegation from Pocatello almost overleapt when the train arrived at four o'clock this morning. It was understood that the Pocatello people were aboard, but nobody showed up. About the time the train was ready to leave conductors and committees made a frantic search of Pullmans hunting fees and before the train left the Pocatelloites were safely on the platform.

Mr. Singert from Baker had varied experience. He had a temporary room at the "Y" and had deposited his belongings there, intending to leave his door open, but it slammed shut and he was locked out. The janitor had some home and no one was on hand that had a key. If Mr. Singert had not possessed a very genial disposition

he might have lost patience before being admitted to his quarters.

Because the committee hesitated in rousing people out of bed between 4 and 5 ten men from Hood River were stacked up in one home until after breakfast. The number of visiting ladies present is not as great as was expected, indicating that Dokies have a faculty for leaving their wives at home when there is a convention on. Mrs. Emerick and daughter of Portland and Mrs. Reynolds and daughter of Seattle were among the before-breakfast arrivals.

Guy Leonard, traveling freight and passenger agent from Walla Walla, Washington, is in La Grande looking after the movement of trains and making himself useful around Dokie headquarters.

Beginning early this morning, organizations began arriving at the photograph galleries to have their pictures taken.

Martin Larsen, of Portland, is the big squeeze on the baton for the Hood River band that has been keeping their air full of music during the day.

President C. L. Brill, of Walla Walla, got out of the hospital just in time to make the special arriving in La Grande. He has just recovered from a five week's siege of typhoid fever, but is here with the rest of the brigade yesterday to days here visiting.

C. F. Van de Water, district freight and passenger agent on the Union Pacific System, who hails from Walla, Walla, Washington, is in town during the Dokie convention and is looking after his duties, as well as aiding local headquarters in whatever way possible.

H. K. Bramit, from the Cootenay country, in Canada, with Cranbrook as his postoffice, arrived in La Grande this morning. From across the border he comes wearing a fox and with the distinction of being a prince of a good fellow.

From the adjacent counties, Baker, Wallawa, Grant, Umatilla, and the others, cars began arriving in La Grande about noon loaded with capacity with the fezzed knights. By evening practically every member of the Knights of Khorassan will arrive in the city but the greater share of those not in the order who will attend, mostly from Eastern Oregon towns, will not arrive until tomorrow.

Speaking of bands, some of the Dokies from the Rose City have their own original organization all of their own. The big tubas, the harmonica, the horns, the blattant cornet and the mauling saxophone have no place in their arrangements. In the place of these old and trusty instruments, the modern cow bell and the musical tin can holds sway. Perched on an auto and towing the city these Portlanders didn't get quite the applause the other bands did, but they got many more.

A number of grade school boys are needed to take part in the Dokie parade tomorrow evening. All who wish to qualify should report at the Y. M. C. A. as early as possible.

The aspirants for the coveted position of Goddess of Labor are having a rather interesting time during the Dokie convention. At least, one girl did early this afternoon. A swarm of Dokies surrounded her, placed her on the deadman in the center of the street and played ring around the rosy. Whether she entered any votes from them is not known.

The first near traffic accident occurred this noon in front of Cap's furniture store when two Ford cars, each bearing a full load of the wearers of the fez, brushed each other, the front fender of one car and the rear fender of the other being bent a little. But you can't stop a bunch of Dokies and the little Ford's rambled right along.

The Darland Hotel, formerly owned by Dan Baird, was sold to Harry N. Dennis, who took immediate possession. The sale was made through the C. J. Black Co. Mr. Baird will travel for his health.

Pauline Lederle returned to La Grande yesterday afternoon from an extended visit in Portland, Centralia, Seattle and Tacoma. She was gone from La Grande for a month and states that she had a very fine vacation.

With so many cars on the streets and the spirit of celebration in the air, a number of youngsters have been stealing rides on the rear of the cars. Although no accidents have as yet happened, it is very likely that some serious injury might result. Chief of Police Clint Haynes is watching the situation.

La Grande people who intend to go to Pendleton on Labor Day to attend the Labor Day celebration on September 4, should report to Oscar Johnson or Tom Wilson, who are on the transportation committee. Those who intend to make the trip by train should leave Sunday evening on 10 to 23. The cars will leave Monday morning at an early hour.

R. W. Fletcher, of the East Oregonian, and his son, who is one of the young Dokies, are over from Pendleton and are guests of Will Church and wife during the festivities. "Fletcher" says the world is going along good and that Umatilla county has hit her stride again after being on the bit for a few years, like the rest of the country. He is prominently connected with the drill teams and is a professional Dokie who can rectify the ritual upside down and backwards at any time of the day or night.

Yesterday—Drugs was operated on by M. K. Hall of Port-Grande Ronde hospital. Fair this morning, according to reports.

A few of Huntington, but this city, arrived last night, a couple of days visiting and attending the convention. The Indian Valley boys, including several days

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