SHRINE PARADE IS LINE OF LAUGHTER

Colorful Costumes of Marchers Attract All Eyes.

IS BURLESQUE

Real Lions, Clowns, Hottentots, Dancing Girls, Old Stage Coaches and Red Fezzes in Pageant.

BY BEN HUR LAMPMAN BY BEN HUR LAMPMAN.

The world-renowned Ringling brothers, who started their sawdust and times career with a bottle of home-endered angleworm oil, never assembled a circus parade, a peerless, parambulating pageant, to vie with that which 'Al Kader temple of the Mystic Shrine sent shimmering and laughing through Portland's atreets vesterday afternoon, as a preliminary laughing through Portland's streets yesterday afternoon, as a preliminary to the real circus in the armory, where divers candidates, notable and not so notable, underwent initiation.

As a circus parade it was a hurlesque, of course, but such a burlesque as only the funniest sort of real good fellowship is capable of evoking from greasepaint, bright silks gainting aclinitars and merry mimilers. And the presence of a sure-esough circus, nomewhere near the city, furnished the spectacle with some very, real flons and ponies and monkeys.

Al Kader patrol band led the bril-Al Kader patrol band led the bril-liant spectacle, a long line of bright hued array, with detachments and bands from Afifi temple, Tacoma, and El Katif temple, Spokane, and with Imperial Potentate W. Freeland Kendrick of Lulu temple, Philadel-phia, smiling his greeting to the city which is to play host to all shrine-dom in 1926.

Portland Likes Pageant.
Portland liked it. The pageant on its way from the courthouse to the armory, where stretched the justiy celebrated burning sands, brought al-

celebrated burning sands, brought almost as many pedestrians to the edge of the pavement and parked fully as many autos as would the genuine appearance of the most celebrated three ring aggregation in the known world. When the parade left its starting point the itons, ladies all, and therefore illonesses—which is a mouthfulwere placidly switching their tails in the barred sectusion of their private apartments. Three or four daring Shriners occupied the next room—with a comfortable partition between

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—trying to look as though they enjoyed the experience.

Down the line of march capered a
white donkey, throwing off clowns.
He frisked past the ambling cage.
Whereupon every lioness heard the
call of the wild, and arose with alacrity. Half crouched they pressed
their changey muzzles to the bars and
with delighted amber eyes watched
that potential afternoon luncheon go
pranking by. One felt sorry for the pranking by. One felt sorry for the prisoned queens of the African jungle. One also felt that the don-key, clewnish as his would-be riders, was playing in great luck. But the preponderance of reflection rested upon the questionable stability of

Perfect Lady Smokes Cigara Perfect Lady Smokes Clars

The lady ilons shouldn't be featured to the exclusion of the rest of the pageant, however. For there was a perfect lady, of the Laura Jean Libby vogue, who rode by the side of the imperial potentate and flipped kisses to her admirers. She was reminiscent, perhaps, of Al Kader's joyous dancing girls. She seemed more to resemble Zubelda than she did Fatima. But at Broadway and Alder, this is the fact, she accepted and kindled a very black cigar and puffed away with every evidence of gratification.

Eight Bedouin horsemen rode along, scimitars swinging at the pommeis— very like a page from some Saharan story, where the caravan is beleag-ured. They looked quite amiable—a great deal more so than did the cage

ured. They looked quite amiable—a great deaf more so than did the cage of howling Hottentots, or whatever they were, who thrust their blackened faces, nose rings, ear rings and white teeth, forth to the delight of all beholders. When Nemo went into alumberland he had a wicked pail, maybe you recall him, who was a dead "ringer" for these "birds." His name was Flip, And these chaps were just as flip as he was.

The crowds roared with laughter—you know very well that crowds always do when in a genial mood—at the two old-style gamblers, sporting men beyond doubt, who carried gamecocks. Ever and anon they bet huge wads of stage money on the scrapping proclivities of the birds and cast them to the street. The birds "hopped to it" with great abandon, feathers flying and spurs striking fiercely. But their owners retrieved them before bloodehed befell and passed on with the pageant.

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Governor Olcott First to Appear.

Imperial Potentate Kendrick

Indorses Performance.

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Speakers at the table included Bills Lewis Garretson, deputy imperial potentate: W. S. Stown, imperial treasurer, and Governor Olcott spoke briefly as a representative of the initiates of the class Mayor Baker told of his first meeting with the imperial potentate when he visited Philadelphia in the interest of the campaign for Al Kader to secure the 1220 session, and related some intimate touches with the membership of Lu-Lu temple that gave an insight into the character and qualities of the noble who for so long was at its head, and called from that duty to lead the Shriners of America.

Imperial Potentite Kendrick complimented the Pacific coast membership on the spiendid spirit of Americanism that he found everywhere in evidence and told of the unity with which the fraternal societies of Philadelphia joined in patriolic service during the war. So fruitful of efficiency in meeting requirements of the government during the war did the organization prove that it is continued to pursue the course in peace times.

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times. He heartily commended the spirit of co-operative effor; for the general good of the community, state and nation through such an organization, and believes that great good can come to all of the societies that participate in such endeavor.

Staging Highly Effective. Rarely have pligrims seeking admission to the casts of the shieke of the Arabian desert, or sought audience with the potentaies who rule over many tribes, beheld scenes of oriental splendor so alluring as that which greeted the novices at the public auditorium last night. The first section of the ceremoniat was put on with artistic and mechanical effects that made it a triumph of the stage director's art and visiting potentaics declared it to have been one of the finest portrayals of the part they

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The members of the class saw the twinkling stars above their desert camp fade into the softening light of the early morning, the touch of pink that soon gave way to brighter hues and finally the flood of brilliant sunshine of full day sweeping over the plain.

the plain.

In it were enacted all the scenes of the gradual awakening of the Bedouin band, the arousing of man and beast to the realities of another day, the milking of the camels and bringing akins of water from the well.

And in the spectacle they found the lessen of the desert, for as one day breaks in the soft beauty of the morning, changes to the sultriness of noontime and the whole earth swelters under the heat of the descending sun that drops into cool, refreshing night, so are all the days of time.

Second Degree Starts. the plain.

Second Degree Starts. Second Degree States.

The conferring of the second section began at 8 P. M., but with so large a number to receive instruction in the lessons of the koran, it was after midnight before the final curtain fell. The attendance of nobies of the mystic shrine, like the class, was the largest in the history of Al Kader. The seating capacity of the main floor and first balconies was taxed, while at all times there were several hundred in the corridors and wings.

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Houris of the harem held the center of the stage and interest of the throng in the intermissions and proceding the ceremonies. Clever interpretations of the occidental dunces that have charmed the occidental from the carliest times

ware tripped. Enthusiastic reception was accorded Enthusiastic reception was accorded the visiting officials of the imperial council when they were escorted to the stage and warmly welcomed by Illustrious Potentate Hofmann. Imperial Potentate Kendrick. Ellis Lewis Garretson, deputy imperial potentate, and Imperial Treasurer Brown, each and Imperial Treasurer Brown, each received a token of the esteem in which they are held personally and to express the pleasure of Al Kader to have them as guests for this ceramonial occasion.

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