

OH, LEST YOU TALE OF SHRINERS BRAVE

Allah Be Praised! His Servants Are Spared After Encounters With Beasts of Desert.

NOBLES GIVE HYENAS ALMS

Muselmans, at Hour of Prayer, Invoke Aid of Mohammed and Go Scathless Through Peril of Camel, Elephant and Horse.

Wild camels and Shriners may be seen peering together like the festive lion and the roaring lamb, but take a fez-wearing Mussulman and turn him loose with a weak, pale, pimple-hid elephant, one of them is going to run, and it isn't the pachyderm. At least it wasn't a couple of days ago when a flock of Nobles belonging to Al Kader Temple whizzed out to the Country Club grounds to go through their paces with A. G. Barnes' menagerie as a part of the preliminary training for the three-day Shifne carnival, which will be held at the Multnomah field April 18, 17 and 18.

Potentate Harvey Beckwith and Director-General Hutchinson acted as chaperones for the crowd of 15 Nobles, most of them in their dress suits, and the first thing that happened was when "Hutch" took off his shoes and tried to do a bareback stunt on a great big Percheron, which doubles under the main-top a mount for the performing lions. The brave young Noble climbed onto a ladder and then onto the roof of the horse and then fell off. After four efforts Hutchinson managed to stay on deck long enough to be photographed.

Then came the herd of camels and dromedaries.

"Now, this will be some sport," yelled Arthur Finley, as he sidled up to a "Lizale"-looking sort of a beast with a neck like a pretzel.

"Git on," bellowed "Rube" Foster, who is to be the boss of the "spellers."

Camel Not for Finley.

Finley got close enough to let the camel chew all the silk tassel off his fez and then he guessed it was time for the officers of Al Kader to ride the camels.

By the time that Potentate Beckwith, Past Potentate Tomasini and Noble Morgan had been hoisted onto the ridge-board of the camels, the Country Club grounds were filled with a curious throng and the camels wanted to go back to their stalls and drink. It seemed that the traditional eight days were up.

Al Barnes and two or three of the trainers muttered some sort of a Moslem prayer, which made the camels grin, and the cameramen finished their deadly work.

About the same time the crowd discovered the newly-painted pet zebra chasing Foster around a hay wagon.

"Hurry up and take us quick before one of us gets dried," puffed "Rube." He and the zebra were led back to the barns.

Then the four big elephants, Ruth, Pearl, Jewel and Babe, shuffled out of their quarters and lined up for the Shriners, Harvey Beckwith, George Stapleton and "Billy" Grace were selected to tune up the huge animals after Hutchinson had made a feeble effort to join the trio. He failed even after "Ruth" had wrapped her trunk around him and raised him high enough to roost, tailor-fashion, on her bulky head.

"Lemme down or get me a howda," squirmed "Hutch," amid roars from the rest of the crowd.

Brave Nobles Say "No."

"Anybody else want on?" asked Barnes. Whereupon Tom McCusker, "Bill" Davis and W. R. Boone all replied fervently:

"No, we do not. We never herd elephants except on Saturday night." That means something that nobody but a "son of the prophet" knows anything about.

Then, with the elephants and camels grouped for a background, the whole tribe of Mussulmans gathered in front and posed for the snap-shooters and "movie" squad.

The quartet of Shetland ponies didn't scare the visitors so badly, and some of them rode around for a while and then headed for the den of lions, where in a string of cages 37 of the "kings of beasts" were growling away waiting for their afternoon feed. Not one of the Nobles had the nerve to enter the big training pit and pose for a flashlight with two of the oldest and tamest of the brutes, but finally Past Potentate Tomasini and W. M. Davis, captain of the Arab Patrol, pulled a stunt that was more hair-raising than all the rest put together.

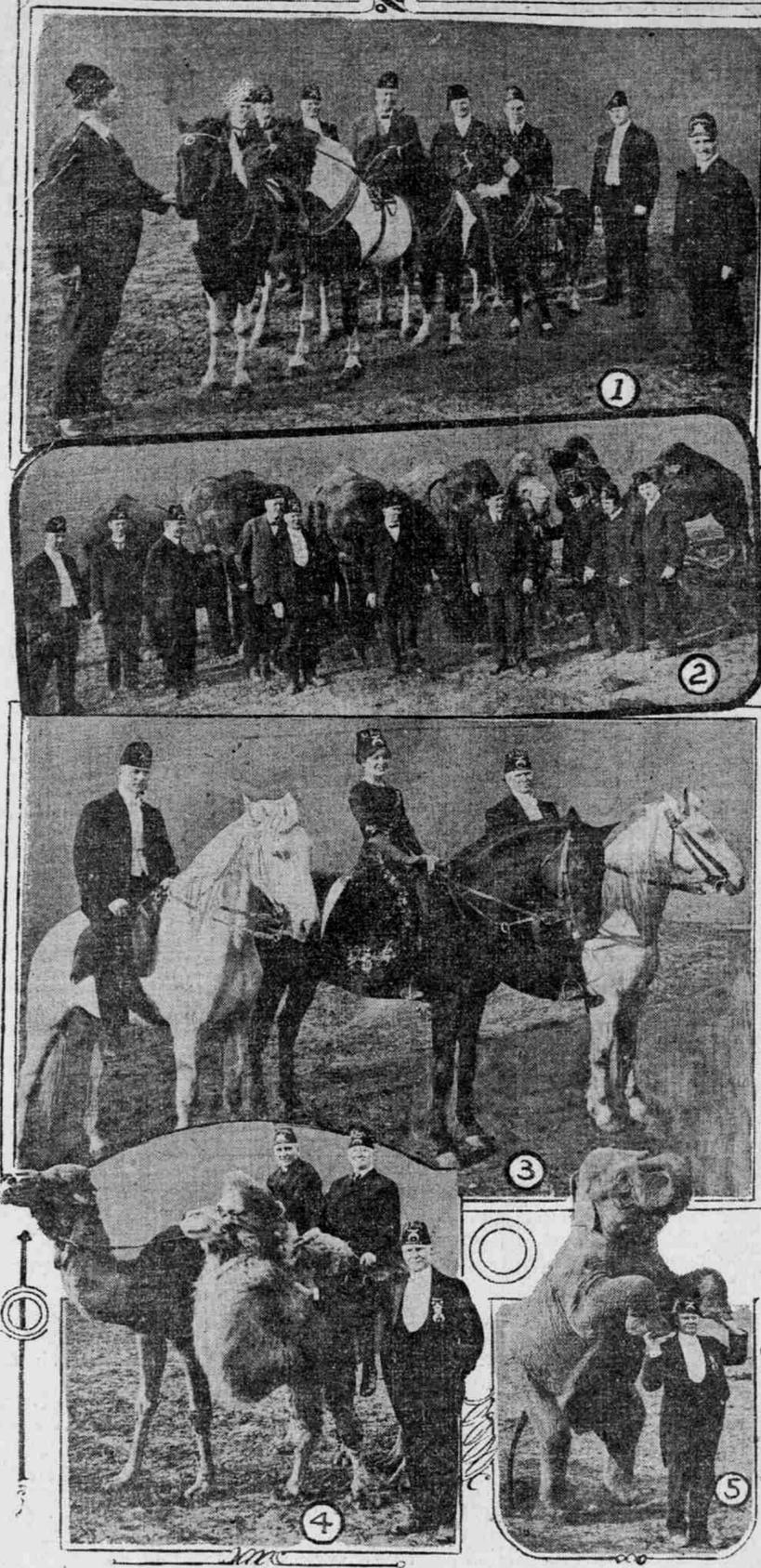
After the animal men had subdued a couple of the most vicious hyenas in the entire "zoo," Davis and Tomasini entered the steel-barred cage and held the grave-diggers as the one and only important path leading to the development of our North Pacific states.

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SCENES ATTENDING SHRINERS' FIRST REHEARSAL FOR THEIR COMING CIRCUS



The Shetland Pony Class With Nobles W. M. Davis, Arthur L. Finley, W. L. Morgan, Harvey Beckwith, G. W. Stapleton, R. W. Foster, H. T. Hutchinson, Boone and D. G. Tomasini Ready to Mount. 2—The Camel and Elephant Class, With Nobles Hutchinson, Finley, Thomas McCusker, Stapleton, Beckwith, W. E. Grace, Davis, Morgan, Tomasini and Foster as Students. 3—Director-General Hutchinson, Miss Mayme Saunders and Muselmans Potentate Beckwith on High School Horses. 4—Tomasini, Morgan and Beckwith Ready for Exhibition Ride. 5—Harvey Beckwith in Death-Defying Stunt.

MOVE IN BEHALF OF OREGON TRAIL INTENT OF DAUGHTERS OF REVOLUTION

History of Route Taken by Western Pioneers Before Coming of Railroads Is Given in Paper Read by Mrs. Ormsby M. Ash Before Conference.

The Daughters of the American Revolution are planning to create public sentiment in regard to the Oregon Trail. They are looking up the history of the various routes taken by the pioneers who crossed the plains in the early days, and are trying to devise a plan to have the Oregon Trail marked. At the first annual Oregon state conference of the Daughters of the American Revolution held in Portland March 4, Mrs. Ormsby M. Ash, chairman of the committee, read a paper on the subject. She said in part:

"We of the Northwest, and particularly the members of our organization, are apt to consider the trail followed by our forefathers as the one and only important path leading to the development of our North Pacific states.

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link in the chain finally resulting in the settlement of the Great West.

"Daniel Boone blazed the third section from St. Charles, a point on the Missouri River, 150 miles across the state of Missouri, to Old Franklin, the site of the famous salt springs known as Boone's Lick, and its name, 'Boone's Lick Road,' perpetuates the memory of its famous marker.

"The restless pioneer spirit, the buffalo, and trade with Northern Mexico led to the establishment of sufficient travel to mark the way to the old Spanish town of Santa Fe in New Mexico, and from this point old Spanish town the trail takes its name. After a short distance from Independence, Mo., to Gardner, Kan., on the Santa Fe trail the stream of west-bound travel divides: those going to New Mexico and the Southwest continue on the Santa Fe trail, while those bound for the Northwest turn northward at Gardner on the Oregon trail.

Other Highways Associated.

"While our interest naturally centers on this trail of our fathers, we cannot fail to have a kindred thought a lesser feeling for other historic highways associated with our own in the development of the Pacific Coast, and there remains one more, and an epoch-making one to men, 'Kearney's Trail,' followed by that famous General during the Mexican war in his march on the Mexican possessions in what is now known as Arizona and Southern California. This trail is 1100 miles long, and extends from Santa Fe, N. M., to Monterey, Cal. When we consider the arid, inhospitable country it traverses we cannot but wonder at and admire the intrepid band who first traversed it. General Kearney's march resulted in the addition of a vast territory to the United States.

"Before considering the Oregon Trail proper, it is well to mention its feeders and tributaries, viz: The spur from Omaha to Grand Forks by way of which

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five miles wide in favorable country, and still another trail worn by the wagon tires in solid rock so deep that the trails dragged, and of the trails being so crushed and pulverized by the myriads of hoofs that the winds blew it away leaving ruts from 12 to 20 feet deep, in which no vegetation grows to this day. And all speak of the dust intolerable, stifling, and still they pressed onward and onward, driven by the wanderlust, patriotism, love of adventure, hope of wealth, or what not, to give eventually to their country a grander and grandeur.

"We are asked to assist in a National movement of our organization to perpetuate these historic trails by using our added money and grandeur. They improved and made the cross-state road, and further to have them made the transcontinental highway.

"In Maryland, the Braddock road has for many years been the real cross state road, whether so recognized by legislative act or not, and is decorated by at least two marks reciting part of its history, one a monument in Cumberland where Braddock camped, and his tomb near the roadside where he was buried.

"The Cumberland road has likewise been the east and west road through Ohio, Indiana and Illinois. Their task was easy. They are prairie states, and a road can be put anywhere. Illinois, through the influence of our organization, has recognized the road as the state highway, and taken steps to improve it as such. Indiana and Ohio have marked the telegraph poles across the states by painting on their red, white and blue bands.

"Through the efforts of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Missouri appropriated \$3000 to mark 150 miles of the Santa Fe trail, Colorado, with her appropriation of \$2000 completed the marking of the Santa Fe trail in October, 1912. She has also marked her telegraph poles.

"The Daughters of the American Revolution of Wyoming were responsible for the legislative appropriation of \$2500 to assist in the proper marking of the Oregon trail within her borders. The improvement of the trail as a cross-state road will depend on its practicability as a modern highway, and whether or not the cost will be justified. Kansas has put stone monuments across the state and has painted the telegraph poles. What Idaho and Nebraska have done I do not as yet know.

"In the states mentioned above, the physical geography is such that the trail has been used sufficiently to perpetuate it, but in this state, due to its many obstacles, impossible from a practical standpoint, it has been abandoned and easier though more circuitous routes have been found, so we are confronted by two difficulties—first, to find our road; second, to improve it.

"Several years ago Ezra Meeker, an early pioneer, retraced the trail as nearly as he could, its entire length and with an ox team, and placed monument at many important points. He did a grand work, and I should be glad to see our National organization suitably recognize it if it has not already done so. He lives as it does every day, and I have talked to and I do not wonder at it for when you pause and think of its wonderful history you begin to dream. You imagine it a living thing, in the sunshine it seems to smile at the recollections of its youth and say: 'I have witnessed the strife of strong men, the love of gentle women, the laughter of happy children, and the shadow of the spirit of the Old Trail cries out to you, 'I was the principal instrument in the building of an empire, and its people forget me.' Shall this be true."

OREGON PASTORS TO SPEAK

Talks to Be Made at Religious Education Convention.

Rev. Harold Saxe Tuttle, Pacific Coast secretary of the Religious Education Association, registered from San Francisco at the Imperial Hotel yesterday. Mr. Tuttle is to secure speakers for the convention of the association in Berkeley April 22, 24 and 25.

Among those who have consented to participate in the meeting are: Dr. F. L. Loveland, pastor of the First Methodist Church; Dr. C. J. Bushnell, president of Pacific University, Forest Grove, and Dr. Fletcher Homan, president of Willamette University, Salem.

Other educational and religious leaders will be invited to attend from Oregon. The theme of the convention is "Training Youth for Moral Leadership."

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